

Licensing Act 2003

Application for a Premises Licence Number 10/01459/LQN 57 Station Road, Thatcham, RG19 4PZ

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Application for a premises licence to be granted under the Licensing Act 2003

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form. If you are completing this form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. Use additional sheets if necessary. You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

I/We RAVINDER SACHDEVA

(Insert name(s) of applicant)

apply for a premises licence under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below (the premises) and I/we are making this application to you as the relevant licensing authority in accordance with section 12 of the Licensing Act 2003

Part 1 – Premises Details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description 57 STATION ROAD			
Post town	THATCHAM	Post code	RG19 4PZ

Telephone number at premises (if any)	
Non-domestic rateable value of premises	£11000

Part 2 - Applicant Details

Please state whether you are applying for a premises licence as
Please tick yes

- a) an individual or individuals * please complete section (A)
- b) a person other than an individual *
 - i. as a limited company please complete section (B)
 - ii. as a partnership please complete section (B)
 - iii. as an unincorporated association or please complete section (B)
 - iv. other (for example a statutory corporation) please complete section (B)
- c) a recognised club please complete section (B)
- d) a charity please complete section (B)

- e) the proprietor of an educational establishment please complete section (B)
- f) a health service body please complete section (B)
- g) a person who is registered under Part 2 of the Care Standards Act 2000 (c14) in respect of an independent hospital please complete section (B)
- h) the chief officer of police of a police force in England and Wales please complete section (B)

* If you are applying as a person described in (a) or (b) please confirm:

Please tick yes

- I am carrying on or proposing to carry on a business which involves the use of the premises for licensable activities; or
- I am making the application pursuant to a
 - statutory function or
 - a function discharged by virtue of Her Majesty's prerogative

(A) INDIVIDUAL APPLICANTS (fill in as applicable)

Mr <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs <input type="checkbox"/>	Miss <input type="checkbox"/>	Ms <input type="checkbox"/>	Other Title (for example, Rev)	
Surname SACHDEVA			First names RAVINDER		
I am 18 years old or over				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please tick yes	
Current postal address if different from premises address		41 CLUNBURY AVENUE			
Post Town	SOUTHALL		Postcode	UB2 5SN	
Daytime contact telephone number			07949760550		
E-mail address (optional)					

SECOND INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT (if applicable)

Mr <input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs <input type="checkbox"/>	Miss <input type="checkbox"/>	Ms <input type="checkbox"/>	Other Title (for example, Rev)	
Surname			First names		
I am 18 years old or over				<input type="checkbox"/> Please tick yes	

Current postal address if different from premises address			
Post Town		Postcode	
Daytime contact telephone number			
E-mail address (optional)			

(B) OTHER APPLICANTS

Please provide name and registered address of applicant in full. Where appropriate please give any registered number. In the case of a partnership or other joint venture (other than a body corporate), please give the name and address of each party concerned.

Name
Address
Registered number (where applicable)
Description of applicant (for example, partnership, company, unincorporated association etc.)
Telephone number (if any)
E-mail address (optional)

Part 3 Operating Schedule

When do you want the premises licence to start?

Day	Month	Year
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

If you wish the licence to be valid only for a limited period, when do you want it to end?

Day	Month	Year
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Please give a general description of the premises (please read guidance note1)
CONVENIENCE STORE & OFFLICENSE

If 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, please state the number expected to attend.

What licensable activities do you intend to carry on from the premises?

(Please see sections 1 and 14 of the Licensing Act 2003 and Schedules 1 and 2 to the Licensing Act 2003)

Provision of regulated entertainment

Please tick yes

- a) plays (if ticking yes, fill in box A)
- b) films (if ticking yes, fill in box B)
- c) indoor sporting events (if ticking yes, fill in box C)
- d) boxing or wrestling entertainment (if ticking yes, fill in box D)
- e) live music (if ticking yes, fill in box E)
- f) recorded music (if ticking yes, fill in box F)
- g) performances of dance (if ticking yes, fill in box G)
- h) anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) (if ticking yes, fill in box H)

Provision of entertainment facilities:

- i) making music (if ticking yes, fill in box I)
- j) dancing (if ticking yes, fill in box J)
- k) entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (i) or (j) (if ticking yes, fill in box K)

Provision of late night refreshment (if ticking yes, fill in box L)

Supply of alcohol (if ticking yes, fill in box M)

In all cases complete boxes N, O and P

A

Plays Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the performance of a play take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon			Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)		
Tue			State any seasonal variations for performing plays (please read guidance note 4)		
Wed			Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of plays at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)		
Thur					
Fri					
Sat					
Sun					

B

Films Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<u>Will the exhibition of films take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 3)		
Mon					
Tue					
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for the exhibition of films</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the exhibition of films at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Sat					
Sun					

C

Indoor sporting events Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<u>Please give further details</u> (please read guidance note 3)
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon			
Tue			<u>State any seasonal variations for indoor sporting events</u> (please read guidance note 4)
Wed			
Thur			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for indoor sporting events at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 5)
Fri			
Sat			
Sun			

D

Boxing or wrestling entertainments Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<u>Will the boxing or wrestling entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 3)		
Tue					
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for boxing or wrestling entertainment</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for boxing or wrestling entertainment at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Sat					
Sun					

E

Live music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the performance of live music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	Please give further details here (please read guidance note 3)		
Mon					
Tue			State any seasonal variations for the performance of live music (please read guidance note 4)		
Wed					
Thur			Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of live music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)		
Fri					
Sat					
Sun					

F

Recorded music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<u>Will the playing of recorded music take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 3)		
Mon					
Tue					
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for the playing of recorded music</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the playing of recorded music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Sat					
Sun					

G

Performances of dance Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<u>Will the performance of dance take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 3)		
Mon					
Tue			<u>State any seasonal variations for the performance of dance</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Wed					
Thur			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the performance of dance at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Fri					
Sat					
Sun					

H

<p>Anything of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)</p>			<p><u>Please give a description of the type of entertainment you will be providing</u></p>		
Day	Start	Finish	<p><u>Will this entertainment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 2)</p>	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tue			<p><u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 3)</p>		
Wed					
Thur			<p><u>State any seasonal variations for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g)</u> (please read guidance note 4)</p>		
Fri					
Sat			<p><u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the entertainment of a similar description to that falling within (e), (f) or (g) at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 5)</p>		
Sun					

Provision of facilities for making music Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<u>Please give a description of the facilities for making music you will be providing</u>	
			<u>Will the facilities for making music be indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 2)	
Day	Start	Finish	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
			Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
			Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 3)	
Tue				
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for the provision of facilities for making music</u> (please read guidance note 4)	
Thur				
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for provision of facilities for making music at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 5)	
Sat				
Sun				

J

Provision of facilities for dancing Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the facilities for dancing be indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (see guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<u>Please give a description of the facilities for dancing you will be providing</u>		
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 3)		
Tue					
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for providing dancing facilities</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the provision of facilities for dancing entertainment at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Sat					
Sun					

K

Provision of facilities for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within i or j Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			<u>Please give a description of the type of entertainment facility you will be providing</u>		
Day	Start	Finish	<u>Will the entertainment facility be indoors or outdoors or both – please tick</u> (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mon				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tue			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 3)		
Wed					
Thur			<u>State any seasonal variations for the provision of facilities for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within i or j</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Fri					
Sat			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the provision of facilities for entertainment of a similar description to that falling within i or j at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Sun					

L

Late night refreshment Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the provision of late night refreshment take place indoors or outdoors or both – please tick (please read guidance note 2)	Indoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish			
Mon			<u>Please give further details here</u> (please read guidance note 3)		
Tue					
Wed			<u>State any seasonal variations for the provision of late night refreshment</u> (please read guidance note 4)		
Thur					
Fri			<u>Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the provision of late night refreshment at different times, to those listed in the column on the left, please list</u> (please read guidance note 5)		
Sat					
Sun					

M

Supply of alcohol Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the supply of alcohol be for consumption (Please tick box) (please read guidance note 7)	On the premises	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Off the premises	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	State any seasonal variations for the supply of alcohol (please read guidance note 4)		
Mon	08.30	23.00			
	HRS	HRS			
Tue	08.30	23.00			
	HRS	HRS			
Wed	08.30	23.00			
	HRS	HRS			
Thur	08.30	23.00			
	HRS	HRS			
Fri	08.30	24.00			
	HRS	HRS			
Sat	08.30	24.00			
	HRS	HRS			
Sun	08.30	23.00			
	HRS	HRS			
			Non standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the supply of alcohol at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)		

State the name and details of the individual whom you wish to specify on the licence as premises supervisor

Name RAVINDER SACHDEVA	
Address 41 CLUNBURY AVENUE SOUTHALL	
Postcode	UB2 5SN
Personal Licence number (if known)	
Issuing licensing authority (if known) LONDON BOROUGH OF HOUNSLOW	

N

Please highlight any adult entertainment or services, activities, other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children (please read guidance note 8)

NONE

O

Hours premises are open to the public Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			State any seasonal variations (please read guidance note 4)
Day	Start	Finish	
Mon	08.00	24.00	Non standard timings. Where you intend the premises to be open to the public at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5)
	HRS	HRS	
Tue	08.00	24.00	
	HRS	HRS	
Wed	08.00	24.00	
	HRS	HRS	
Thur	08.00	24.00	
	HRS	HRS	
Fri	08.00	24.00	
	HRS	HRS	
Sat	08.00	24.00	
	HRS	HRS	
Sun	08.00	24.00	
	HRS	HRS	

P Describe the steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives:

a) General – all four licensing objectives (b,c,d,e) (please read guidance note 9)

IMPLIMENTING CHALLENGE 25 STRICTLY
SEPRATING ALCOHOL FROM CHILDRENS SECTION
ALL STAFF TO BE TRAINED IN RESPONSIBLE ALCOHOL RETAILING
KNOWING YOUR CUSTOMERS WELL
CCTV IN OPERATION ALL THE TIMES 24HRS RECORDING & MONTHLY STORING
SYSTEM OF RECORDING.
JOINING NEIGHBOURHOOD SCHEMES & KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH THE POLICE

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

TRAIN ALL STAFF & DEVELOP THE RIGHT ATMOSPHERE WITH CUSTOMERS
WINDOWS, DOORS & FRAMES TO BE REINFORCED MAKING IT MORE DIFFICULT FOR
INTRUSION.
CCTV INSTALLED INSIDE AND OUTSIDE.JOIN RETAILWATCH SCHEMES
KEEP A CLOSE WATCH ON ALL CUSTOMERS & KEEP CLEAR VIEW OF PREMISES
LIASE WITH THE LOCAL POLICE
BE CALM AND DECISIVE & DO NOT REACT TO PROVOCATION
MAINTAIN HIGH STANDARDS & UPHOLD THE LAW

c) Public safety

HEALTH & SAFETY RISK ASSESSMENTS TO BE CARRIED OUT REGULARLY
INSTALLATION OF APPROPRIATE & ADEQUATE SAFETY EQUIPMENT.
INSTALLATION OF EMERGENCY LIGHTING AND EVACUATION PROCEDURES BE IN
PLACE WITH WARNING SIGNS .
STAFF TO BE TRAINED IN FIRST AID & FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURES.
TO COMPLY WITH ALL CURRENT, FIRE AND HEALTH AND SAFETY LEGISLATION AS
REQUIRED BY THE LAW

d) The prevention of public nuisance

A MANAGEMENT POLICY IN PLACE TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE EXTERNAL AREAS
OF THE PREMISES AND THE CONDUCT OF THE CUSTOMERS .
NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS REGARDING CONSIDERATION FOR NEIGHBOURS.
TO MONITOR ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR BY USE OF CCTV
JOIN RETAILWATCH SCHEMES
STRICT POLICY NOT TO SERVE DRUNKEN CUSTOMERS.
CHALLENGE 25 IN FORCE ALL THE TIME

e) The protection of children from harm

CHALLENGE 25 TO BE IMPLIMENTED STRICTLY
ALCOHOL TO BE KEPT AWAY FROM CHILDRENS CONFECTIONERY SHELVES
SIGNS TO BE PUT ON SHELVES REGARDS TO NO ID NO SALE ON ALCOHOL SHELVES
CIGARETTES & SPIRITS TO BE KEPT BEHIND THE COUNTER AWAY FROM CHILDREN.
STAFF FULLY TRAINED ON NO ID NO SALE CHALLENGE 25 SCHEME
HEALTH & SAFETY MEASURES ARE IN PLACE WHERE EQUIPMENT IS OF DANGER TO
YOUNG PERSONS.


Please tick yes

- I have made or enclosed payment of the fee
- I have enclosed the plan of the premises
- I have sent copies of this application and the plan to responsible authorities and others where applicable
- I have enclosed the consent form completed by the individual I wish to be premises supervisor, if applicable
- I understand that I must now advertise my application
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected

IT IS AN OFFENCE, LIABLE ON CONVICTION TO A FINE UP TO LEVEL 5 ON THE STANDARD SCALE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003 TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION

Part 4 – Signatures (please read guidance note 10)

Signature of applicant or applicant’s solicitor or other duly authorised agent (See guidance note 11). If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.

Signature	
Date	5 th OCTOBER 2010
Capacity	AGENT

For joint applications signature of 2nd applicant or 2nd applicant’s solicitor or other authorised agent. (please read guidance note 12). If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.

Signature	
Date	
Capacity	

Contact name (where not previously given) and postal address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 13)

PLT
S.PANCHAL
12 PARKWAY

Post town	HILLINGDON	Post code	UB10 9JX
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Telephone number (if any)	01895 259891
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If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail your e-mail address (optional)
wensons@aol.com

Consent of individual to being specified as premises supervisor

RAVINDER SACHDEVA

I

[full name of prospective premises supervisor]

of

41 CLUNBURY AVENUE
SOUTHALL
UB2 5SN

[home address of prospective premises supervisor]

hereby confirm that I give my consent to be specified as the designated premises supervisor in relation to the application for

PREMISES LICENSE

[type of application]

by

RAVINDER SACHDEVA

[name of applicant]

relating to a premises licence

[number of existing licence, if any]

for

57 STATION ROAD
THATCHAM
RG19 4PZ

[name and address of premises to which the application relates]

and any premises licence to be granted or varied in respect of this application made by

RAVINDER SACHDEVA

[name of applicant]

concerning the supply of alcohol at

57 STATION ROAD
THATCHAM
RG19 4PZ

[name and address of premises to which application relates]

I also confirm that I am applying for, intend to apply for or currently hold a personal licence, details of which I set out below.

Personal licence number

[insert personal licence number, if any]

Personal licence issuing authority

LONDON BOROUGH OF HOUNSLOW

[insert name and address and telephone number of personal licence issuing authority, if any]

Signed

Ravinder

Name (please print)

RAVINDER SACHDEVA

Date

5th OCTOBER 2010

APPENDIX B

Emilia Matheou

From: Emilia Matheou
Sent: 10 November 2010 08:48
To: 'Sharon WILLIAMS'
Subject: <v9_SmartSaved/> RE: Alcohol License app 10/01459/LQN Station Road, Thatcham
Categories: SmartSaved

Mrs Williams,

57 Station Road, Thatcham, Berkshire, RG19 4PZ

Thank you for your representations regarding the above application. Although your comments are noted, to some extent most of them are not valid. All representations must be about the likely effect of granting the licence on the promotion of at least one of the four licensing objectives. The four licensing objectives are:

The prevention of crime and disorder;
Public safety;
The prevention of public nuisance; and
The protection of children from harm.

If as an interested party you believe that granting the licence in the terms it has been applied for is likely to have an effect on the promotion of one or more of the objectives then any representations you make should be explicitly linked to one or more of the objectives. However, the Licensing Officer dealing with the case will bring any relevant points to the attention of the members of the Licensing Sub- Committee prior to any hearing.

Your comments will also be made available to the applicant and any comments in answer will be communicated to you either directly by the applicant or through this department.

If a hearing of the application before the Licensing Sub-Committee is necessary, details of the date and time will be sent out by the Policy and Performance Unit at least ten days before the date of the hearing.

Regards

Emilia Matheou
Property and Public Protection
Environmental Health & Licensing
Tel: 01635 519184 Ext: 3208

From: Sharon WILLIAMS [mailto:taffyw@btinternet.com]
Sent: 03 November 2010 23:04
To: Licensing
Subject: Alcohol License app 10/01459/LQN Station Road, Thatcham

Please find attached letter regarding the above application.

Many thanks
Sharon Williams

10/11/2010

emailed .

24 Neville Drive
Thatcham
Berks
RG19 4PY

West Berkshire Council
Licensing Dept
Environmental Health
Faraday Road
Newbury
Berks
RG14 2AF

2ND November 2010

Dear Sir

Ref Alcohol License App 10/01459/LQN

We write to object to the above application.

We were concerned to see this application posted last week. (Incidentally half term when potentially interested parties from the nearby school would not be around)

We wish to object to the opening of licensed premises with such long opening hours AND in such close proximity to a secondary school.

This area is primarily residential and we are already well served by shops licensed to sell alcohol within a few hundred yards in each direction.

We cannot help but think a license to sell alcohol at such late hours will create a public nuisance.

Please take our objections into account when you consider this application.

Yours truly
Mrs Sharon Williams
Mr Samuel Williams
Mr Matthew Williams

8 November 2010

Mr & Mrs Biss
51 Station Road
Thatcham
Berkshire
RG19 4PZ

Dear Mr & Mrs Biss

**Licensing Act 2003 - Representation concerning Premises Licence
57 Station Road, Thatcham, Berkshire, RG19 4PZ**

Thank you for your representations regarding the above application. Although your comments are noted, to some extent most of them are not valid. All representations must be about the likely effect of granting the licence on the promotion of at least one of the four licensing objectives. The four licensing objectives are:

- The prevention of crime and disorder;
- Public safety;
- The prevention of public nuisance; and
- The protection of children from harm.

If as an interested party you believe that granting the licence in the terms it has been applied for is likely to have an effect on the promotion of one or more of the objective then any representations you make should be explicitly linked to one or more of the objectives.

However, as one of your comments are pertinent the Licensing Officer dealing with the case will bring the 'relevant' point to the attention of the members of the Licensing Sub- Committee prior to any hearing. Your comments will also be made available to the applicant and any comments in answer will be communicated to you either directly by the applicant or through this department.

If a hearing of the application before the Licensing Sub-Committee is necessary, details of the date and time will be sent out by the Policy and Performance Unit at least ten days before the date of the hearing.

Yours sincerely



Emilia Matheou
Technical Licensing Officer

**Property and Public Protection
Environmental Health & Licensing**
West Berkshire District Council
Council Offices
Faraday Road Newbury
Berkshire RG14 2AF

Our Ref: 10/01459/LQN

Your Ref:

Please ask for: Licensing Team

Direct Line: 01635 519209

Fax: 01635 519172

e-mail: licensing@westberks.gov.uk

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Mr & Mrs Biss,
51 Station Rd,
Thatcham
Berks
RG19 4PZ

4 Nov. 2010

Dear Sir / Madam,

with reference to application
10/01459/LON - 57 Stn Rd, Thatcham.
We object to the grant of a license to sell
alcohol at 57 Stn Rd.

There are more than adequate outlets for
alcohol in Thatcham centre and the
Burdwood shop already. This is a
residential area close to Kennet School.

There is frequent disturbance at weekends
from people walking along Station Road
through noise and broken glass. (presumably
a result of excess alcohol). Bottles, cans
and takeaways are often thrown in our
front garden. Traffic levels are high
enough so we feel this application is
neither necessary or welcome.

yours faithfully,

B Biss, 

APPENDIX D

Emilia Matheou

From: Emilia Matheou
Sent: 08 November 2010 15:43
To: 'james.thompson@awe.co.uk'
Subject: <v9_SmartSaved/> Licensing Act 2003 - Representations
Categories: SmartSaved

Mr and Mrs Thompson,

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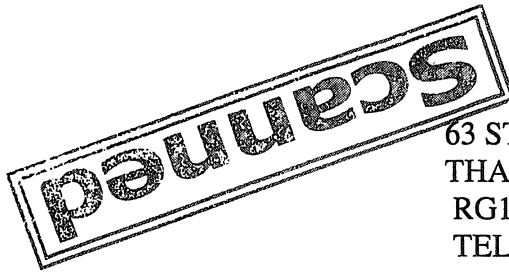
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From: james.thompson@awe.co.uk [mailto:james.thompson@awe.co.uk]
Sent: 04 November 2010 16:01
To: Licensing
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Subject: <v9_SmartSaved/> 10/01459/LQW

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DATED 04/11/10

YOUR REFERENCE 10/01459/LQW

On behalf of myself James Thompson and my wife Lynne Thompson of the above address we wish to object in the strongest possible terms against the application for an Off Sales shop licensed to sell alcohol within 50 m of our home.

We have both personal views and others relating to the immediate area and community in our wish to oppose this application.

I will endeavour to clarify.

- There is not enough traffic spaces to support this application near to our house, we need 24 hour access down the side of the building to our house , both my wife and I have been denied this at various times by cars parking on the private road leading to our rear access.
- Noise must be considered as our property boundary is less than 50m from the proposed shop
- The opening hours particularly 23:00 and 24:00 hour closing times are excessive, this has a noise implication, passing foot traffic, vehicular traffic etc. Again less than 50m from our boundary
- There is an off license part of the CO-OPERative barely 750m from the proposed development (this is open 7 days)
- There are various appeals etc by local people, Parish Council etc to help the town centre, there are at least 2 licensed outlets within 5 mins walking distance already plus many, many public houses-this could potentially take business from established businesses.
- There is a large school within 300m with hundreds of schoolchildren passing this parade of shops on a daily basis—these children deserve to be protected against the menace of alcohol abuse. Additionally exposure could potentially lead to under-age drinking and subsequently to the binge drinking culture which blights main streets across the UK. with the government guidelines on alcohol advertising this should be considered
- We have on a few occasions had our garden wall torn down by people late in the evenings (something various neighbours have had too – this can be verified by Thames Valley Police); a shop licensed to sell alcohol could exacerbate this anti-social problem.

- An increase in litter could be envisaged , at the moment we pick up empty bags , empty beer cans , bottles etc from our garden on a Saturday and Sunday morning –deposited by people walking past-again this would potentially be multiplied by this proposed shop
 - We feel that West Berkshire Council should not uphold this application for an alcohol license as , again, government guidelines are advising people to be more aware of alcohol consumption , having another licensed premise in the Parish does not lend itself to promoting good health –again the schoolchildren must be considered and the influence on their thinking.
 - In summary I have 4 main licensing objectives detailed below and consider this application particularly inappropriate in what is mainly a residential area
1. **PREVENTION OF CRIME AND DISORDER**
 2. **PUBLIC SAFETY** – there are concerns regarding people congregating in the area (similar to what happened at the CO-OP), a huge increase in the immediate area with moving vehicles.
 3. **PUBLIC SAFETY** – there is a strong likelihood of nuisance from increased pedestrian and vehicular traffic particularly late at night with associated litter and noise issues.
 4. **PROTECTION OF CHILDREN FROM HARM** – this is an area where young people are known to gather.

We would be obliged if you take the above into consideration and take the decision to refuse the application.

Mr and Mrs J Thompson



25 October 2010

P W Jenkins
Senior Deputy Head
Kennet School
Stoney Lane
Thatcham
RG19 4LL

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Yours sincerely

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RG14 2AF

Dear Miss Matheon

Application 10/01459/LQN
Ravina Sachdeva 47 Station Road Thatcham Berkshire

I write to object to the above application for a Premises Licence.

My interest is as Senior Deputy Head at Kennet School and write at the bequest of the Governors of the school.

57 Station Road is in close proximity to Kennet School with many of its 1740 pupils walking past the property daily to attend school. At their time of travel it is proposed that the off licence would be open.

Kennet School has been awarded Healthy Schools Status and thus we promote healthy living styles with respect to exercise and the hazards to health of alcohol, cigarettes and diet. It is therefore a concern to us that on our very doorstep the off licence would be actively promoting the goods we are educating pupils to consider with caution and control to maintain their health.

Further, the proposed store would not have a client base during the day; it will therefore seek to sell other products such as sweets and chocolate thus targeting our pupils. The government is determining its set-up for healthy school meals banned the sale of confectionary at schools and sought to prevent the sale of it within the proximity of schools.

The proposed retailer could well act as a magnet to pupils to break bounds and seek to spend their dinner money against their parents' wishes.

We are aware that a minority of pupils smoke and from time to time a group will congregate to the rear of the premises. Easier access to cigarette sales is bound to compound the problem. Besides giving a wrong image of our pupils, the inevitable litter is unsightly for the public.

The sale of alcohol so near to the school is a concern, not because it will attract our pupils, but it could bring the wrong element into the area seeking to purchase drink and put our pupils at risk.

The school has many evening functions and combined with the needs of the Leisure Centre there is a huge and well documented pressure on car parking in the area. The majority of prospective customers would need to drive to the off licence causing increased traffic congestion on what is a hazardous junction. The co-op store at the Burdwood Centre already retails a range of beverages and meets the local community needs.

I trust that the arguments presented demonstrate that such a location is totally unsuitable for the siting of an off licence and that the application is rejected.

Yours sincerely

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Dear Ms Matheon

Application 10/01459/LQN
57 Station Road Thatcham Berkshire RG19 4PZ

Thank you for your letter concerning the application to licence the above property for the sale of alcohol. I had thought that I had made comments under the objections:

- The prevention of public nuisance
- The protection of children from harm

I would like to make further comment with particular reference to the protection of children from harm. I wish to remind the sub-committee that the school day for many pupils is greatly extended and there are many evenings when the pupils will pass the premises during the hours of darkness.

Children are at risk from harm for the following reasons:

- Any licenced premises is likely to attract an undesirable element which puts children at risk of harm from unpleasant language and aggression. Public disorder is likely.
- Any premises selling alcohol is likely to have attraction to those children who have a desire to try alcohol. This we know puts children at risk of harm from alcohol damage and can lead to behavioural problems.

In any society we have those who have an alcohol problem. Kennet School reflects such a society. We have pupils who have parents/older siblings with alcohol related problems.



The presence of a licenced premises close to the school is a threat to these vulnerable pupils.

Kennet School stands by its demand of excellence in behaviour and attitude from its pupils. To have a premises advertising and selling alcohol and other products that can lead to health problems detracts from our intensions of bringing well balanced individuals into our society and therefore our ability to protect all our pupils from potential harm.

Yours sincerely

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P W Jenkins
Senior Deputy Head

APPENDIX F

Emilia Matheou

Acknowledgement

From: Emilia Matheou
Sent: 04 November 2010 12:53
To: 'Mel Alexander'
Subject: RE: Application for a premises licence

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From: Mel Alexander [mailto:Melanie.Alexander@thatchamtowncouncil.gov.uk]
Sent: 04 November 2010 10:57
To: Emilia Matheou
Subject: RE: Application for a premises licence

objection

Dear Emilia

Thank you for your email below. This licence application was considered by this Council at a meeting on Monday evening and I have been asked to respond to you on behalf of our Members.

Thatcham Town Council wishes to **object** to this licence application for the following reasons:

- 1) The proximity of a licenced premises to the local secondary school (Kennet School) is of great concern and is not in-keeping with the policy of "Protecting children from harm"
- 2) It is envisaged there will be traffic flow issues in this residential area
- 3) Lack of parking
- 4) Concerns over the lateness of trading hours in a residential area

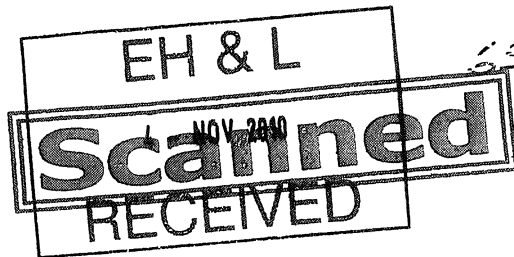
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5, Station Road
 Thatcham
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RG19 4PZ

2/10/2010

Dear Sir/Madam,

With reference
 to license application for premises
 in station road REF NO 10/01459/L&N.

I consider this to be a totally
 inappropriate situation for a off
 license, for the following reasons.

A, Within 300 metres of Kennel school
 (and yes some pupils will find
 a way of purchasing alcohol)

B, It will undoubtedly become
 a meeting place for young
 people during the evenings

C, There is already a problem
 with noisy drunks late at
 night.

D, Litter. We are constantly removing cans and broken bottles from the road, pavement and gardens. We don't need more

E, The community police have been working hard to break up gatherings of young people and confiscating alcohol. This would make their job harder.

F, There are already five off licenses (excluding pubs) close to these premises. These are, 2; co-op stores and Waitrose in the town centre.

The corner shop in Brown Road

The co-op in the Burdwood centre station road.

There is absolutely no need for another.

G, The government and local authorities are battling against binge drinking and its consequences. With one person every seven minutes being admitted to hospital with alcohol related problems, refusing this application would be your way to help solve this problem.

I trust you will take into consideration my objections when coming to your decision.
Yours sincerely

D. F. Barnes

Dear Hazel Oram and Andy & Sally Evans,

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From: Hazel Oram
Sent: 28 October 2010 16:08
To: Sally2121@tiscali.co.uk
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your letter attached

you need to save it then go back and attach it (it is nothing like my letter)

send it to Licensing@westberks.gov.uk

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28/10/2010

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Environmental Health Licensing Team
West Berkshire Council
Faraday Road
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(Sent via e-mail)

28th October 2010

To whom it may concern,

Re: 10/01459/LQN in the name of Mr Ravinder Sachdeva.

As a resident of Station Road, Thatcham I wish to lodge my objections to the above application. For the following reasons:

Protection of children:

RESISTANCE!

There is a secondary school 500 meters away – children look older than they are these days, and are likely to be served alcohol underage. Please do not say the law states they cannot be sold alcohol as we both know this is likely to happen. The school pupils all congregate behind the shops and make a lot of noise.

Public Safety/Public Order

This is a highly built up area with very limited parking, across the road is a parking bay which was put there for the use of residents. At various and frequent times of the day as a resident you cannot park in these spaces as they are constantly in use by the 3 existing shops – a hairdresser; a vet and a café. The vets surgery has their own car park, which we were assured would be used for all clients and staff parking. This is not the case as most visitors abandon their cars right outside the residents parking across the road or in the middle of the private road. All this surgery has done is cause chaos to the parking. There is no more room for more cars to be parked across the road, leaving the residents with nowhere themselves. The way these cars are parked in this lay-by is a danger to both road users and walkers.

NOT KNOWN
FACT

The noise level late at night is going to cause a disruption to all; we are all working people or school age.

NOT FACT
IN RESIDENTS
AREA

Station Road is a very busy road at all times of the day and most of the night, especially with speed humps right outside our gates. We would prefer to have a bit of peace and quiet at these late times of night.

I would appreciate some thought being given to this application and then to see a refusal as it is a very inappropriate place to put an off licence. – These places need to be in a none residential area or shopping parade/complex and NOT right next to other peoples homes to impact on their lives where there is a lot more space to accommodate them and all that relates to them.

Yours sincerely

Hazel Oram

69 Station Road
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Environmental Health Licensing Team
West Berkshire Council
Faraday Road
Newbury

29th October 2010

To whom it may concern,

Re: 10/01459/LQN (Mr Ravinder Sachdeva).

I wish to lodge my objections to the above application:

I am disabled and at times due to the 3 other shops am unable to drive my car down the lane to the rear of my property to my own parking space. There is a car park around the back of the vets which we were told was for the staff and clients use, this is not the case – all visitors park their cars either directly outside the 3 shops or across the road in what I believe is a residents parking lay-by. This causes a lot of problems to all.

Within close vicinity is a secondary school, at present (as has always been) the pupils all gather around the back of the shops smoking and despite policing by the teachers continue to make a lot of noise. I believe as the pupils do not look their age they are likely to purchase and consume alcohol here.

This is a highly built up area with very limited parking, which is likely to cause danger to both drivers and walkers.

The noise level late at night is going to cause a disruption to all.

I would appreciate our objections being heard and consideration being given to all residents of Station Road prior to granting this application.

Yours sincerely

Andy and Sally Evans



28 October 2010

Paula Dyson
3 Neville Drive
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25th October 2010

Dear Sir

Ref Alcohol License App 10/01459/LQN

I write to object to the above application on the following grounds:

Protecting Children from harm
Public Nuisance
Public Safety

The property in question is only a few yards from Kennet Secondary School and when various agencies are working hard to combat teenage alcohol abuse it seems ludicrous that there would be alcohol on sale at such close proximity to a large number of young people. There are currently cutbacks to support services that work with young people and the decision to place temptation in such a prominent place is not a wise one. Although young people are unable to purchase alcohol for themselves, it is common practice for them to ask older friends or even customers on their way in to the shop to buy alcohol on their behalf. I know this is an offence but it happens none the less.

I understand the alcohol licence is for 8.30am – 11.00pm/Midnight. I cannot understand why a shop in a residential area would need to be selling alcohol at these times. There are other licensed premises in The Broadway and Burdwood Centre – both approx ¼ mile from the premises in question. I can only assume that the licence is to encourage further drinking after other licensed premises have closed. In an area predominantly surrounded by residential housing with children I feel that this will cause public nuisance with cars coming and going at all times and also those on foot already having consumed alcohol causing a disturbance.

Public Safety would also be in question as the area that the unit is in is on a fairly busy road – particularly during school times. Parking is very limited and the area just outside the shop is very busy with school children being dropped off. There is no crossing point and to my knowledge there have been several instances of children being knocked over on this stretch of road. Another distraction will obviously add to the danger. If the premises owner is thinking that the car park to the rear of the shops can be used for customer parking – I think you will find that this car park belongs to the Vet Surgery. There were few objections to the land being converted from a garden to a car park as this surgery is only open for a very limited time during the day and 1 hour early evening therefore causing minimal noise nuisance to the residential gardens which surround the car park. This is very different to being used as a car park for licensed premises open until midnight.

Please take my objection into consideration when dealing with this license application.

Yours Sincerely

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Paula Dyson



21 October 2010

Mr Nick Willcocks
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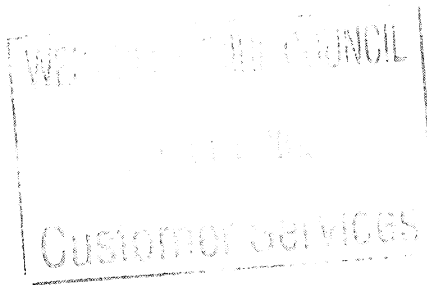
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Technical Licensing Officer

Signed copy



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Emilia Matheou

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REF Application 10/01469/LCN, Ravinda Sachdeva, 57 Station Road, Thatcham, Berkshire

I write to object to the above application for a Premises Licence.

My interest is as the freeholder of 55 Station Road (GKG Vets) and the owner of 55a Station Road, both of which are directly next door to the applicant

The current occupants of the flat above 55a Station Road are a young family with a small child and a baby on the way. These are tenants of ours, on an Assured Shorthold Tenancy Agreement. The current occupiers of the shop are GKG Vets, with a long lease, who have a regular flow of adults with children and animals including dogs on leads.

The current occupier of 57a, above the proposed Off Licence is a single lady.

I object to the Licence being granted on the following grounds:

Protection of Children from Harm

57 Station Road is located very close to the entrance to Kenet School, around 1700 pupils with ages up to 18 years old. We have an ongoing battle with some of the children who regularly come round to the back of the shops/flats in the row and smoke. Presumably an Off Licence would sell cigarettes and this would attract the children to try to purchase, and therefore potentially add to the problems. It is clearly not sensible for a shop to be providing cigarettes for sale right outside a school. We are in regular contact with the school regarding this problem, however it is very difficult for the school to practically solve. Allowing an Off Licence, I believe, would only hamper the school dealing with this

An Off Licence selling alcohol/cigarettes outside a school gate is clearly providing an attraction for the older children. Whilst the shop should have in place its' own controls to ensure that alcohol/cigarettes are not sold to minors, clearly it provides a convenient location for older pupils to make purchases for younger ones. We do not currently find that any of the pupils are drinking behind the row of shops, however there is a greater risk of this should it be more straightforward to purchase alcohol conveniently over the road from the school.

Frankly, it seems quite absurd that any Off Licence should be located right outside a school.

Public Safety and Public Nuisance

When we were given planning permission for the veterinary activities at 55 Station Road, tight time restrictions were put in place, to ensure that the residents in the immediate area were not disturbed by the comings and goings at the Vets. Clearly, the possible arrival of a late opening Off Licence, somewhat flies in the face of this. There is going to be increased vehicle activity, which will cause problems, as during the evenings the area outside the row of shops is generally occupied by local residents parking their cars. Whilst the owners of the shops actually own the land on which the residents park, we have no problem with them doing so. I do not want visitors to the proposed Off Licence parking on my land.

On this basis, where are night time visitors to the proposed Off Licence going to park? The shop itself has no planning permission for parking as far as I am aware, at the rear of the property, and they certainly only have room for one or two cars outside the front of their property.

I am very concerned about the type of person who needs to go purely to an Off Licence late at night. This, in my opinion would attract people with little regard for the surrounding properties/residents. I believe that we would see an increase in noise, litter/broken bottles/beer cans etc. GKG Vets has, on a daily basis dogs walking to them on leads.

Broken glass that is not cleared up will give severe problems to these dogs and their owners.

I think it unlikely that the Off Licence staff will welcome being responsible for clearing up the mess.

Groups of children gathered behind the shops can appear threatening/intimidating, and this is not in line with the right of our tenants and their neighbours to enjoy quiet habitation and unrestricted access to the properties they are renting. We already find the school children smoking in the stairwells, and have to ask them to move on. We must not allow a situation to occur where people are drinking behind the shops, and frightening the young families that live above.

Crime and Disorder

Thatcham has an ongoing problem with disorder from some of the younger elements of the community. It is necessary to try to keep them in the well lit, more open areas of the town centre. Providing this new attraction for them to purchase alcohol risks moving them to a quieter, darker, more out of the way location. This will inevitably lead to criminal damage and disruption to a currently quiet neighbourhood.

There are plenty of empty premises available within the town centre of Thatcham, which is a far more suitable location for an Independent Off Licence as it is not right outside a school or in a quiet residential area. There is also ample opportunity for the locals of Station Road/Kennet Heath to purchase alcohol and cigarettes until 11.00pm 7 days a week at the well run CO OP located centrally, half way down Station Road in the Burdwood Centre.

Yours faithfully



Nick Willcocks

On behalf of GKG Vets, Nick and Elizabeth Willcocks, owners of 55 and 55a Station Road, Thatcham



20 October 2010

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Dear Ms Wood,

**Licensing Act 2003 - Representation concerning Premises Licence
57 Station Road, Thatcham, Berkshire, RG19 4PZ**

Thank you for your representations regarding the above application. Although your comments are noted your objections numbered 1 to 4 are not relevant representations.

All representations must be about the likely effect of granting the licence on the promotion of at least one of the four licensing objectives. The four licensing objectives are:

- The prevention of crime and disorder;
- Public safety;
- The prevention of public nuisance; and
- The protection of children from harm.

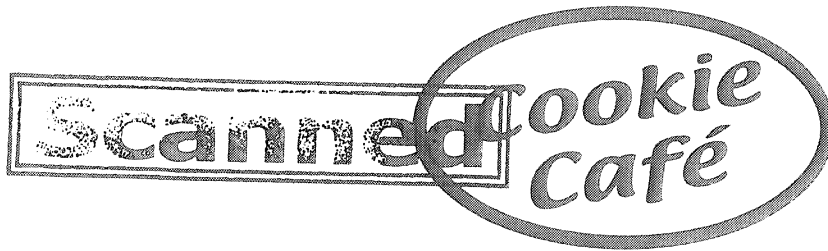
If as an interested party you believe that granting the licence in the terms it has been applied for is likely to have an effect on the promotion of one or more of the objectives, then any representations you make should be explicitly linked to one or more of these objectives.

In view of the above I regret I am unable to accept representations numbered 1 to 4 in their current form. However, your objection under No. 5 will be made available to the applicant and any comments in answer will be communicated to you either directly by the applicant or through this department.

If a hearing of the application before the Licensing Sub-Committee is necessary, details of the date and time will be sent out by the Policy and Performance Unit at least ten days before the date of the hearing.

Yours sincerely

Emilia Matheou
Technical Licensing Officer



Mr Brian Leahy
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14 October 2010

Dear Sir

Re: Licencing Application for 57 Station Road, Thatcham - 10/01459/LQN

Please accept this letter as my objection to the above referenced application to change 57 Station Road, Thatcham into an Off Licence.

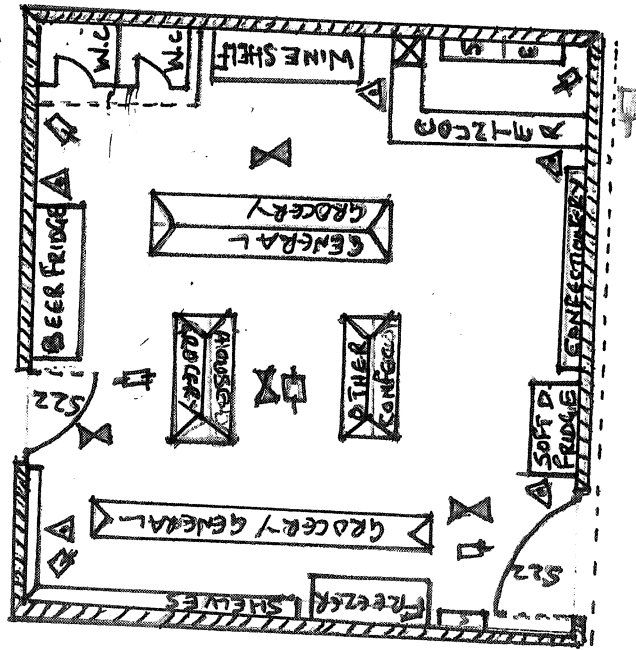
My objections are as follows:

1. I am a local business owner and am concerned that, although on paper, this will be an Off Licence, I am certain that it will be selling items such as chocolate, soft drinks, sandwiches, crisps. All of which I currently sell only 2 doors away. The current climate is already making business very difficult for me and I feel that competition so close could indicate the end of my business.
2. There are 3 other shops selling alcohol within a 5 minute walk of these premises and I believe that Threshers recently closed down in the village due to the competition from those same shops. There is no local need for this business.
3. This location is in a highly residential area with local residents living above the 3 utilised shops in the parade (one of which houses a young family with a new baby) and to both sides and across the road.
4. Kennet School is located only 50 metres away from the location. People purchasing cut price alcohol during the school runs at 0830 or 1515 is not what any parent would want their child to see – a number of parents use the parking area outside of the shops for this purpose. I believe that Mr Dick has already made his representation to you.
5. Independent Off Licences are known to be a focus of disorder and disturbance and will undoubtedly attract undesirables to the area late at night, which is not only a worry for the local residents but also for me as a business owner. I am deeply concerned that I may be replacing windows on a regular basis and in fact am concerned for the overall security of my shop.

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PROPOSED PLAN LICENSING

57 STATION ROAD THATCHAM
 RG19 4PZ SCALE 1:100



KEY

- C CCTV CAMERAS
- A FIRE EXTINGUISHERS
- E EMERGENCY LIGHTS
- S22 FIRE EXIT SIGNS
- CCTV RECORDING 31 DAYS
- SHUTTERS PROVIDED
- ALARM SYSTEM TO
- AD1 SPEC OR SIMILAR
- TO BE FITTED
- TIME DELAY SAFE UNDER
- COUNTER

FIRE RISK ASSESSMENT TO
 BE IN PLACE

ROAD