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Sent: 03 August 2016 14:51

To: Licensing

Subject: Licensing Application for Goring & Streatley Golf Club RG89QA

Reference - 16/01035/LQN

Dear Sir / Madam,

We are writing to inform you of our objection to the proposed extension of the Goring & Streatley Golf Club's licence to sell alcohol from 12:00 midnight to 01:00 am.

Notice no. 16/01013/LQN

As residents of Rectory Road, we would like to object on the following grounds -

1 - The prevention of crime and disorder

Increasing the licencing hours to sell alcohol may well have an impact on local crime arising from individuals who become drunk and disorderly.

2 - Public safety

Increasing the licensing hours at the Goring and Streatley golf club will undoubtedly increase the numbers of functions currently held there.

Rectory road is a narrow country road leading up to the Ridgeway regularly frequented by the general public walking, running and cycling.

There is no footpath and there are areas along the road, leading up to the golf club, which require caution in order to ensure safety of the general public and on coming vehicles.

Local people and residents of the road understand this and exercise good road behaviour.

Increasing the number of functions will increases the amount of traffic along this country road, and this will potentially put non vehicle road users at risk.

As it is, many local residents already have reservation about the amount of golf club traffic already using the road, and the lack of courtesy demonstrated to walkers and cyclists.

3 - The protection of children from harm

As for 2 above, we have concerns that an increase in traffic arising from increased functions on a lovely country road which is used by children to scoot along and cycle will potentially put children at risk of harm.

There are countless families living along this stretch of Rectory road with small children. The road is used frequently during the early evening, when road vehicle users are fewer, to teach children to ride bikes, and have fun walking along past the meadows.

The golf club generates a huge amount of traffic as it is. Few of these drivers are considerate and thoughtful for other road users. As it is, we already have concerns that some drivers leaving the golf club may have been drinking before driving.

Rectory road is a country road leading to a country lane that heads up on to the Ridgeway; it really shouldn't be turned in to a thoroughfare.

Please reconsider the above proposal on these grounds

Yours faithfully

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