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Subject: Premises Licence Variation Application ref: 09/01533QN-DPS/77-FV),
Watermill Theatre.

Watermill Theatre, Bagnor, Speen, Newbury Berkshire RG20 8AE ("the Premises") -
Premises Licence Variation Application (ref: 09/01533QN-DPS/77-FV) ("the
Application")

Dear Sir/Madam,

We write in respect of the above application to object.

The Watermill is by it's own valition a regional producing Theatre. The current substantive Premises licence has allowed the Watermill to carry out its stated aim very successfully for which they should be congratulated.

Allowing the supply of alcohol outdoors across the Premises does not forward the aim of a regional producing theatre. It does however forward the ambition of a public events venue, taking the Watermill away from its stated aim. A hamlet of 26 houses in close proximity to a public events location licenced for the supply of alcohol outdoors for several hundred people will result in conflict.

Revising the licencing hours to 8am (from 10am) is far outside of required producing theatre licencing hours and would allow for the travel of vehicles transporting several hundred people into and out of a small hamlet from 8am every day of the week (irrespective of the Watermills stated aims). This would have a material, negative impact to living in Bagnor.

Regards

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