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To: Rachel Clarke; Licensing
Cc: Heather Codling; Head Hungerford Nursery School; Office Hungerford Nursery School
Subject: Re: Application for a Variation to a Premises Licence – The Croft Hall, The Croft, Hungerford, RG17 0HY Ref 37590 app30014
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Dear Rachel,

I am writing as the former Chair of Governors (2018-2025) at Hungerford Nursery School to comment on the proposed licence variation for The Croft Hall, which shares a boundary with the Nursery School. I do so as I do not believe the Head Teacher nor current Chair of Governors were aware of the application before the end of term, and therefore have had no opportunity to comment upon it.

My urgent concern is **specifically in relation to extending the licence to the outdoor space** to allow the sale of alcohol and the playing of music during most of the Nursery's open hours.

The **very close proximity** to the outdoor play areas would **inevitably** compromise these safe, secure environments and **present a serious Safeguarding issue for the School**, as there are clear sight lines over the boundary and the noise of people and/or music would all have an impact.

I would add that the outdoor space is also in close proximity to the Scout Hut and therefore also likely to pose a Safeguarding issue for them.

I hope no decision on the application will be made before the Head Teacher and Governing Board of the Nursery School have the opportunity to comment upon it on their return in September. Please let me know if this will not be the case. Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

Dr Maureen Martin (EdD)

cc by separate email: District Councillors: Dennis Benneyworth, Tony Vickers, Denise Gaines. Jerry Keates Mayor of HTC