

Appendix B1

From:
Sent: 22 November 2010 10:10
To: Licensing Mail Box (Congleton)
Cc:
Subject: Representation - No. 1 The Courtyard, West Street, Congleton

I have seen the Notice displayed on the front door of the proposed premises that state the hours for regulated entertainment and sale of alcohol until 02:30 in the morning seven days a week.

I understand from the Licensing Officer that permissions applied for are until 02:00 (there is a discrepancy here) and that the proposed business is an Italian Restaurant that wants this very late finish time to provide for occasional parties etc.

I am a local resident and am very much in favour of the premises being developed and used as a Restaurant. However, the hours applied for do not match up with a restaurant on a street with residential properties just a few doors away in a small market town such as Congleton. The hours the applicant has requested are more in line with a late night drinking/eating establishment in a large town or City. To say that they require a finish time of 02:30 to allow for occasional parties etc is ridiculous. This is exactly the reason that the Licensing Act has TEN's - to allow for occasional changes to Premise Licence conditions.

The finishing time applied for is in the middle of the night. A time when West Street is very, very quiet. At these noise sensitive times, noise from patrons arriving, departing and congregating outside will cause public nuisance to local residents - people talking, shouting, taxi and car doors slamming for example. Even people smoking outside the premises and having a chat at the same time will be a nuisance to people trying to sleep a few doors away because the area is so quiet at this time. Regulated entertainment is also likely to cause a problem with music breakout.

At the time I read the Notice displayed on the front door of the premises, the glass on the new door was smashed. This is an indication that the area already suffers from crime and disorder, another indication being the closed down pub opposite which now has its windows all boarded up. A new business will be great for West Street but the hours granted need to be appropriate for the area and not encourage late night revelers and drunken behaviour. The two large public car parks in the vicinity both have residents adjoining them and these people are also likely to be affected by noise from cars and people leaving the premises as are residents along West Road.

I therefore request that the Licensing Committee do not grant the Licence with the end hours applied for. I would suggest that alcohol until 23:30, opening until 00:00, from Sunday to Thursday and alcohol until 00:30 and opening until 01:00 on Friday and Saturday are adequate and proportionate for an Italian Restaurant in this area.

Please acknowledge receipt of this Representation.

Licensing Department
Municipal Buildings
Earle Street
Crewe
Cheshire
CW1 2BJ

23 NOV 2010

22nd November 2010

Dear Sir or Madam,

Applicant, The Courtyard, 26 West Street, Congleton, CW12 1JR.

I am writing with regard to the above Licence application and wish to register my objections to this application.

I understand that the planning consent was given to this establishment for a restaurant & most restaurants operate in the evening up till midnight when most respecting people would go home.

However now it seems that the owners of this **yet unopened** establishment want to not only serve food & beverages until midnight. But now wish to continue sell alcohol till the wee small hours of 2-30 AM.

I am most concerned about the requested extended licence hours & I am most certain that the only outcome will be the noise and disruption that comes with people who have been consuming alcohol until this late hour.

As you may or may not be aware there is a lot of vandalism that takes place with the outpouring of alcohol fuelled patrons of existing public houses & this is not a good situation now. So to possibly add to this already intolerable situation is not acceptable.

My surrounding residents and myself feel this extended licence application has not been thought thro by the owners of (The Courtyard) who will simply walk away from the possible fall out of problems & property damage.

I would ask that you give my objections to this application serious thought & even send an officer from your department to look at the local & asses the damage to date (even to the yet unopened Courtyard premises)

Yours sincerely

Licensing Department
Municipal Buildings
Earle Street
Crewe
CW1 2BJ

19th November 2010

Application Reference - The Courtyard, 26 West Street, Congleton, CW12 1JR

Dear Sir or Madam,

As the property owner and sole business proprietor of Coach House Valeting which is sited in close proximity to the applicant, I would like to object to the licensing hours applied for in relation to above application.

I am extremely concerned with respect to a 2.30am finish and the consequences it may entail with the consumption of alcohol until this unsociable hour of the morning on what would be entitled to be a regular nightly occurrence, if the license is granted.

At present West Street at 2.30am is virtually silent in the still of night and should remain this way to ensure that its residents are embellished the entitlement of a peaceful night's sleep and properties remain to a certain extent untroubled by destructive vandalism.

As statistics clearly show alcohol consumption often fuels - noise, public urinating, vomiting, verbal abuse, wilful vandalism, violence and crime. We have all seen TV footage and media coverage of this type of despicable behaviour that affects so many of our cities and towns, especially apparent in the early hours of the morning when groups of people exit premises onto our streets and the vast expenses incurred in public services stretched to their limits in trying to contain these diabolical situations.

Congleton is a market town and West Street is primarily a residential area which has an abundance of properties of architectural heritage. West Street is sited within the towns conservation area and I would ask consideration be given to this and other aforementioned concerns. Surely a restaurant dining experience does not necessitate being accompanied by alcohol consumption until 2.30am.

Yours Sincerely

Licensing Department

Municipal Buildings

Earle Street

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CW1 2BJ

19th November 2010

Re : Application reference : The Courtyard, 26 West Street, Congleton, CW12 1JR

Dear Sir/Madam

I wish to object to the licensing hours applied for by the above on the grounds that it is wholly inappropriate for a restaurant in this location to require to sell alcohol until 2.30 am.

West Street is a conservation area on the periphery of the main retail area of the town with a large number of residential properties together with business premises which are mostly professional offices.

My premises has been subject to several incidences of broken windows as a result of drunken vandalism in the early hours and sadly I have to associate this with the late night licenses that have been granted to town centre bars in recent years.

The developer of The Courtyard has made a significant improvement to that property and deserves the business to be successful but the Italian restaurant can surely achieve this within normal licensing hours.

Yours Sincerely

F.A.O.
Licensing Department
Municipal Buildings
Earle Street
Crewe
Cheshire
CW1 2BJ

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to object about the licence application for-THE COURTYARD, 26 WEST STREET, CONGLETON.

My reason for objecting is that WEST STREET is just around the corner about a few minutes walk from RIVER STREET and I don't want any possible noise disturbances or vandalism outside my house at half past two / three o'clock in the morning!

I can't understand why a restaurant wants to be serving alcohol up until that time every night / morning? If people want to party and drink in the early hours then there's already a nightclub in the town centre which is out of the way of private houses.

No-one wants their community and lives affected by alcohol drinking until all hours.

These are my views and reasons for objecting about a 2-30am license in a nice quiet residential street and it's also in a conservation area!

Thanking You,

Yours Sincerely,

18.11.10

Proposed licence to serve alcohol, entertainment
at 'No 1 The Courtyard, West Street, Brighton

I wish to express my concerns over the licence application for the above address. Apparently they are requesting permission to serve alcohol, entertainment until the early hours.

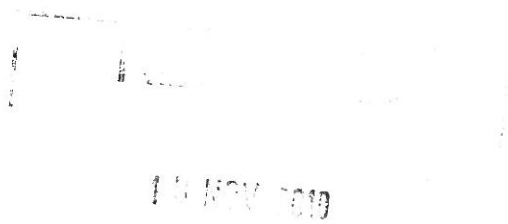
This is inappropriate given the mixed use of surrounding properties and also it being a Heritage area.

There is already noise and disturbance into the early hours from nearby pub 'Beast Route', which if the licence is granted will cause further, annoyance, anti-social behaviour and vandalism to properties, vehicles.

I have a vehicle which is left on the drive, however at weekends I leave it with friends to avoid any damage. Brighton is already well served with bars, clubs and restaurants, therefore it is inappropriate and could ask for this application to be turned down.

Yours Sincerely,

RE THE COURTYARD
24 WEST STREET
CONGLETON. CW12 1JR



Dear Sir

May I take this opportunity to protest in the strongest manner to the excessively late licensees applied for in the area adjacent to the property in which I live. As a resident in my property since June 1954 I have enjoyed living within an area where there are drinking establishments in close proximity without a great amount of disturbance. I feel that the application of 2am and 3am licences is beyond reason and will lead to much disturbance.

Please register my objection in accordance with the Licensing Act of 2003 as close resident to the applications

Yours faithfully

10 NOVEMBER 2010

Licensing Department
Municipal Buildings
Earle Street
Crewe
Cheshire
CW1 2BJ

19 NOV 2010

Application Reference: - The Courtyard, 26 West Street, Congleton, CW12 1JR.

Dear Sir or Madam,

We are writing with respect to the above license application to serve alcohol up until 2.30am in the early hours of the morning. We wish to register our objection to this application.

As the owners and residents of number 46, West Street, Congleton, for the past 55 years we have enjoyed living in our family home which is situated in a **Conservation Area** surrounded by other residential period and listed properties.

Along with our neighbours, we are all very concerned about the excessive licensing hours which have been applied for. The application licensing hours in which to serve and consume alcohol on a **daily basis** would seemingly be far more appropriate to the requirement of a nightclub establishment as opposed to a restaurant.

We believe planning consent was specifically granted for a restaurant, to which we ourselves along with other residents had no objection to at the time. We most certainly did not envisage the possibility of any unsociable hours disruption of early morning revellers at 2.30am or even later spilling out onto a residential street on a potential **carte blanche** daily basis, unless the licensing hours are greatly reduced.

We are both extremely concerned about noise in the quiet and still of night combined with any potential alcohol related anti-social behaviour that may occur. Another concern we have is related to possible vandalism and property damage which is often associated to late night drinking. The surrounding vicinity is a **Conservation Area** full of listed period properties which need to be protected.

Could you please give serious consideration to our objections as we are retired senior citizens both in our eighties and living with disabilities. At this time in our lives to have our nightly sleep pattern being constantly disturbed would be intolerable.

Yours sincerely