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**From:** LICENSING (Cheshire East)  
**Sent:** 12-Apr-2017 10:09  
**To:** KNIGHT, Jennifer  
**Subject:** FW: RE; Application for premises licence The Old Saw Mill

**From:**  
**Sent:** 12-Apr-2017 10:02  
**To:** LICENSING (Cheshire East)  
**Subject:** Re: RE; Application for premises licence The Old Saw Mill

I am replying with reference to your letter dated 11/4/17 ref:-052034. I am quite surprised you will not take my letter concerning the Old Saw Mill as it did state the inconvenience it would bring to residents in the very close vicinity. Over the years I and others have had experienced disorderly behaviour from people gathering outside to drink and smoke whatever, they have been abusive, leave bottles and cans (which at times have been in my backyard) We as residents do not need any disorder bringing to the area. As I stated the noise, having lights shining into all surrounding house bedrooms, (which is definitely a disturbance and nuisance to parents trying to get babies to sleep). Children used outside to play and with the amount of cars now driving in, parents have had to stop them.

On Tuesday, 11 April 2017, 12:02, LICENSING (Cheshire East) <[Licensing\\_CE@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:Licensing_CE@cheshireeast.gov.uk)> wrote:

Good Morning,

Thank you for your correspondence, please see attached response and guidance for making a representation under the Licensing Act 2003

Many Thanks,  
Licensing Team

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**From:**  
**Sent:** 10-Apr-2017 12:33  
**To:** LICENSING (Cheshire East)  
**Subject:** Fw: RE; Application for premises licence The Old Saw Mill

On Monday, 10 April 2017, 12:23,

To Head of licensing,  
I besides a lot of other residents strongly object to the above premises being granted this licence on the grounds of The Saw Mill is only -5 feet away from some gardens of the surrounding area and the rest about 30-40 feet away, with which a lot have babies or small children that are in bed between 6-8pm the live music, performances which they state is going to be outside as well as in is just totally unacceptable in such an enclosed area, even at weekends its the only time a lot of people get together with families and spend time in the garden, the last thing you need is the peace and quiet being invaded after a weeks work you just want to peaceful time. As for the sale of alcohol on/off the premises we have enough unsavoury characters sat on the wall and in the alleyway congregating drinking beer etc which they purchase obviously from Bargain Booze, but then we the residents have to clean the beer cans and bottles away

because they just throw them anywhere, whilst on this subject has already been selling cider ,I know a least three people that have been purchasing it regularly(is that not breach of regs). There have already been art exhibitions as well.

As far as I am aware there have been various venues put in for these licences that have had them rejected on the grounds of they have been too close to residential properties(which would disrupt residents sleep,enjoyment of their gardens and basic home life) the Saw Mill is far closer than they were. The Environmental Health should be looking very closely at this.

When they first came they stated they did not want to upset or cause concern for the neighbouring families and would work with them, all that was obviously idle chat as what they are proposing will just annoy and upset the neighbours with noise and yet more cars and people coming and going at all times of the day/evening and weekends, what gets me is that the people running this proposal would not like it behind their gardens and especially all weekend as well.

If wanted all this he should have found more suitable premises other than right in the centre of all surrounding houses/families, it is totally unfair to expect residents to have to put up with this especially those with small children,shift workers, it is bad enough now when the light are on till late at night they shine into all surrounding houses and it is very bright, so how kids get to sleep I don't know,even people who attend the Saw Mill have stated it is TOTALLY the wrong place to set it up . They obviously have little or no consideration for the neighbours.

On another point all of these people he is trying to attract WHERE are they going to park its terrible at the moment even residents cant park in the street when he has something on, they all just seem to dump the vehicles anywhere wether it fully on the pavements or in Residents Only areas.

They already have performances and live music booked which he is at this moment selling tickets for Wed 12th April,Sat 29th April and something for Sat 10th June . Should he be doing this as I believe after phoning planning his application has not had a decision made on it(so is this breach of regulations) which everybody else has to abide with but they just seem to do as they please.

Please look at this application with the consideration and well being of the residents it is going to have an impact on especially babies,children. People like to spend time in their gardens with family without having noise and continual disturbances (WHICH THIS WILL DEFINATELY HAVE )

Not only is this not a good proposal what sort of impact will it have if we want to sell our property, because I for one would not even look if I knew that was behind me.

resident-who will be effected.

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The Licensing Section,  
Cheshire East Council,  
Municipal Buildings,  
Earle Street, Crewe,  
CW1 2BJ.

Date 7 April 2017

Dear Sir or Madam

**Re : Old Sawmill premises application.**

I refer to the above application and a number of concerns expressed by the residents of River Street, North Street Congleton and the surrounding area.

An application for a Premises License has been made by the Sawmill, Back River Street Congleton. I believe that any additional activities, particularly those taking place in the evening, at night and into the early hours of the morning, would have a severe and detrimental effect, placing an unacceptable burden on the lives of the residents of River-North Street and the surrounding area.

I would urge you to pay close attention to the types of properties in very close proximity to the Sawmill. River Street, in particular, has a mix of residents from young families, the elderly and supported and sheltered housing for vulnerable people.

It is my firm belief that granting a premises licences to the Sawmill would cause undue stress, anxiety and disruption to the family life of the young families and distress to the vulnerable and elderly residents.

In addition the available parking at the Sawmill is virtually non-existent. Residents already suffer on a daily basis as visitors to the Sawmill consistently block their drives, making it impossible for them to open their outward-opening gates to enter or exit their own premises. Any extension to opening times as a result of being granted a Premises Licence would only exacerbate this already unacceptable situation.

Congleton is already well serviced by a number of licenced premises, there are several premises within a very short distance of the Sawmill offering a wide range of services to patrons. The location of the Sawmill, particularly its proximity to sheltered housing, vulnerable and elderly tenants makes it totally unacceptable as Licenced Premises.

Due Diligence checks also indicate that alcohol is already being dispensed at the premises and events are being advertised and tickets offered for sale with the advice to bring your own alcohol only to events that are due to take place before the public consultation has expired.

I believe the applicants are so confident that a licence will be granted, they are advertising future events on this basis.

I feel this flagrant disregard for the law and Licencing process needs to be investigated and if found to be correct, the application should be refused and appropriate action taken against the applicant.

This is an individual statement as this has yet to be discussed by the Town Council, but I will be raising this matter at the next CTC Full Council meeting to express the concerns of the residents of River Street and surrounding areas, the total lack of support they feel they have received, the total disregard of the tenants and users of the Sawmill for the residents and their quality of life.

10/04/2017

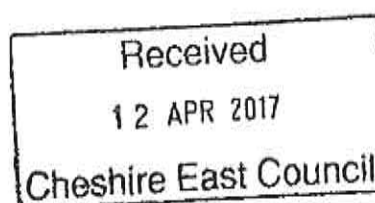
I am writing to protest the application for a licence at the Congleton Community Partnership, they made an application on the 24<sup>th</sup> of march for a licence so they could have, performance of plays, exhibition of films, performance of live music, performance of dance, (all indoors and outdoors), and sale and supply of alcohol (for consumption both on and off the premises) Monday to Saturday 08:00 to 22:00 hours and Sunday 10:00 to 16:00 hours.

The part of the licence that I am Protesting Against is the alcohol supply and live music! My flat is positioned very close to the old saw mill and I feel that providing the Congleton community partnership with permission for these things will cause me and my son great disturbance.

I believe this more so as they held an event on the 31<sup>st</sup> of march and it made my 3 year old son very unsettled, he wanted to know who all the people were and what was going on it didn't help that they were arriving at 19:00 which is his bedtime. People were arriving at the property at 19:00 and they left at 22:00, when people were leaving they caused disturbance as there were car lights shining into my property and my neighbours property and they were peeping as they left, also there was a few people gathered outside of the property till about 22:30 talking and laughing which sounded really loud as the main door to the property is right by my bedroom window of my ground floor flat and I could hear them word for word over my television

Congleton Community Partnership is supposed to be rewarding for the community and providing these licences with cause great distress to this community, there has already been issues with parking from their customers and on the 10th of April they caused more distress by trying to cut down a tree on my landlords property which provides me with privacy, so that they could plant their own flowers and trees which would cause an obstruction for me and my neighbours getting to our gas and electric meters.

I don't think it would be fair to cause anymore disturbance to this community, I have lived in my flat for three and a half years and I would feel the need to move if they were given permission for these licences, I imagine that other neighbours would feel the same. If the Congleton Community Partnership would like to bring the community together then they should respect their neighbours, like the neighbours have respected and supported them on growing the business. Allowing the application will cause a lot of unnecessary tension.



Received

18 APR 2017

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Reference Application for a premises license for;  
The Old Saw Mill, Back River St, Congleton, CW12 11TS.

Dear Sirs,

I am the owner of  
which contains 4, 2 bedroom flats.

These flats are yards from the  
above and contain young children.

My tenants are very anxious about  
what is happening at The Old Saw Mill,  
especially with regard to noise and alcohol  
consumption. We are completely against  
this application and are ~~horrified~~ horrified  
that this quiet residential area can have  
loud music with people consuming alcohol  
within a few feet of their windows.

Yours faithfully,

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