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Dear Sir/Madam

**Re: Proposed Premise Licence – Wilmslow Rugby Club**

As a resident of Woodlands Road, whose property is located on the boundary of Wilmslow's Rugby Club 2<sup>nd</sup> pitch, I wish to raise my objections to a premise licence being granted to Wilmslow Rugby Club.

The reasons for my objections are as follows: -

- Under the current Club Premises Certificate events of up to 500 people have been very infrequent because of the limited space internally (ie in the club house). Our concerns are that if a Premise Licence is granted and given the Rugby Club is going to use an Event Management company, that events up to 500 people, using the club house and the team pitches externally with no limit of the number of events they can carry out of up to 500 people will cause significant disruption in term of noise, anti-social behaviour, ie from events such as music/beer festivals, party on the pitch etc particularly to the residents on the boundary to the 2<sup>nd</sup> team pitch and surrounding roads.
- With regards to parking, vehicular access to the rugby club is often congested as it is with people parking to walk down to the Carrs, using the Fitism gym etc (**see attached Photo 1**) and as a consequence of the Premise Licence being granted the volume of traffic and parking would be increased significantly, meaning parking on all the surrounding roads ie Woodlands, Kings Road which are already used as overflow parking causing disruption to our quiet residential road. The 20mph speed limits put in place around Pownall Park were put in to reduce the speed and discourage additional traffic.

- The Rugby Club has also applied for 3 events over 500 people with no upper limit on numbers and given the size of the two pitches there could be potentially thousands of people. I note that they have put a cap of 3 on these proposed events which would mean that the residents whose gardens abut the pitches would be unable to enjoy the use of their gardens with unacceptable levels of noise, anti-social behaviour, public nuisance, crime, and disorder.
- With regards to the hatched area on the application (2<sup>nd</sup> team pitch adjoining the gardens of Woodlands Rd) they have made a concession that they will not put up any pop-up bars or licensable activities for the 3 larger events. However they could still consume alcohol and have live, deregulated and recorded music for those 3 events and as many events up to 500 as they choose, and this could still be carried out in the hatched area and we strongly feel that this is unacceptable given the close proximity to the residents' gardens on Woodlands Road (No's 2 through 18 Woodlands Rd).
- We also are concerned that if a Premise Licence was granted including the 2<sup>nd</sup> team pitch area for licensable activities which includes the sale of alcohol to the general public. What would stop people on a sunny day sitting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> team pitch consuming alcohol directly behind our gardens on Woodlands Road, causing noise and anti-social behaviour. We have previously had small groups of teenagers in the summer months who sit on the field causing noise and disruption.

Given the above comments I strongly object to the granting of the Premise Licence to the Wilmslow Rugby.

Please acknowledge receipt of my letter of objection by return.

Yours faithfully

