

APPENDIX 6

I am writing to formally register my objection to the application submitted by The Bricklayers Arms for an extension of their license to permit outside music until 1am. As a resident in close proximity to the pub, I am deeply concerned about the potential implications this extension could have on the peace and quiet of our neighborhood.

The Bricklayers Arms has been a longstanding part of our community, and while I appreciate its role as a local gathering spot, I must emphasize the significant disturbances its current operations already pose to the surrounding residential area. The pub already allows music to be played outdoors until late hours, which has led to numerous disturbances and discomfort for nearby residents, myself included.

Given the close proximity of many houses backing onto the pub's garden, the music amplifies vibrations and sound, which directly infiltrate our homes. In an area occupied by families and elderly residents, this proposed extension would significantly infringe upon our rights to privacy and the peaceful enjoyment of our properties, inevitably resulting in heightened sleep deprivation and stress.

In addition to the noise disturbances, the conduct of certain pub patrons has been a source of ongoing concern. Residents frequently encounter difficulties in finding parking spaces as pub patrons occupy residential spots instead of utilizing the designated car park. This worsens an already strained parking situation in the area. Moreover, there have been instances where the pub landlord has confronted residents for using the car park, citing their inability to find parking, and even resorted to threatening to clamp vehicles.

Furthermore, incidents of disruptive and antisocial behavior by pub patrons have been reported. These include being loud, breaking glass, leaving rubbish on the road, and, on two occasions, jumping on cars and climbing scaffolding. Such behavior not only poses a threat to public safety but also severely disrupts the peace and security of our residential area. Police intervention has been required to address these incidents, indicating a serious breach of public order and safety. Extending the pub's license, I fear, will exacerbate these incidents further.

I believe it is imperative to balance the interests of local businesses with those of residents. While I appreciate the importance of supporting establishments such as The Bricklayers Arms, it cannot come at the expense of the well-being and quality of life of nearby residents.

Thank you for considering my objection.

Name and address provided to the Licensing Authority