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Name: BARBARA WESTGARTH Address: 20, ESHER Gdns

BLYTH NR24 3RR Licensing Objective: OBJECTION TO EXTENSION OF LICENSING HOURS

Premises: SOUTH NEWSHAM PAVILION, BLYTH.

Reason for Representation:
(continue on separate sheet if necessary) I STRONGLY OBJECT TO THIS LICENCE VARIATION.

- ① BLYTH TOWN F.C. DO NOT OWN OR LEASE THIS LAND. IT IS A PUBLIC OPEN SPACE OVER WHICH THEY CANNOT EXERCISE ANY CONTROL. SALE OF ALCOHOL HERE COULD ENCOURAGE DISORDER.
- ② MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND CHILDREN COULD ENTER THIS AREA WITHOUT HINDRANCE. IT IS NOT APPROPRIATE TO SELL ALCOHOL THERE. PUBLIC SAFETY COULD BE THREATENED BY PERSONS UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL. THE CLUB WOULD HAVE NO AUTHORITY TO DEAL WITH THIS SITUATION.
- ③ B.T. F.C. HAVE A POOR RECORD OF ADHERING TO PLANNING LAWS SO WHY WOULD THEY RESPECT P.T.O.

LICENSING REGULATIONS ?

(A) THIS AREA IS NOT A BEER GARDEN AND IS NOT SUITABLE FOR THE CREATION OF SUCH FOR THE REASONS PREVIOUSLY STATED.

Signed .

..... Date 15.5.17.....

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Name: DAVID WESTGARTH Address: 20 ESHER GON

BLYTH NE24 3RR Licensing Objective: OBJECTION TO EXTENSION OF LICENSING HOURS

Premises: SOUTH NEWSHAM PAVILION, BLYTH

Reason for Representation:
(continue on separate sheet if necessary)

I wish to object to this licence variation for the following reasons.

- ① Children and the general public could enter this area without restriction, where there safety could be threatened by persons under the influence of alcohol. The club would have no authority to deal with this situation. It is therefore inappropriate to sell alcohol there.
- ② Blyth Town Football Club do not own or lease this land which is open to the public. Sale of alcohol could lead to disorder and they would be unable to exercise any control

- ⑤ This area is not suitable for a beer garden for the previous stated reason

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Name: D. HEYWOOD Address: 8 ELSTREE GARDENS

BLYTH NE 24 3RW Licensing Objective: OBJECTION

Premises: SOUTH NEWSHAM PAVILLION, BLYTH

Reason for Representation: - I OBJECT TO THIS LICENCE VARIATION:-

(continue on separate sheet if necessary)

- ① THE LAND, WHEREUPON THE EXTENSION OF THE AREA ON WHICH ALCOHOL CAN BE CONSUMED, IS "PUBLIC" LAND. THE APPLICANT / FOOTBALL CLUB, DO NOT HOLD THE LEASE FOR THIS LAND.
- ② THE APPLICANT / CLUB, HAVE NO AUTHORITY OR CONTROL OVER WHO USES THE "PUBLIC" SPACE AT THIS LOCATION.
- ③ MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND UNACCOMPANIED CHILDREN, HAVE UNRESTRICTED ACCESS / RIGHT OF WAY AT ALL TIMES OVER THE "PUBLIC" AREA OF LAND WHERE PROPOSED EXTENSION OF THE ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION AREA IS REQUESTED.
- ④ THE APPLICANT / CLUB, ONLY HOLD LEASE FOR THE FOOTPRINT OF THE PAVILLION, 3G AREA, AND THE SPECTATOR STAND.

5) THE CURRENT HOLDER(S) OF THIS LIQUOR LICENCE (B.T.F.C.) HAVE DEMONSTRATED THAT THEY DO NOT CONSIDER THE ADVERSE AFFECTS OF THEIR ENTERTAINMENT ACTIVITIES UPON THE NEARBY RESIDENTS. THIS IS SHOWN BY THE FACT THAT A NOISE ABATEMENT ORDER WAS IMPOSED UPON THEM AND IS STILL IN PLACE.

TAKING ALL OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION INTO ACCOUNT, I BELIEVE THAT THE 4 LICENSING OBJECTIVES ARE CLEARLY MET. BY ALLOWING THE ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION AREA TO SPREAD FURTHER FROM THE PAVILLION WILL MEAN THAT CLUB REPS. WILL NOT BE ABLE TO MONITOR ACTIVITY, AND EVEN IF THEY COULD, THE AREA PROPOSED IS "PUBLIC" HENCE THEY HAVE NO JURISDICTION OVER IT. THIS WILL INCREASE THE RISK OF CRIME, DISORDER AND PUBLIC NUISANCE.

THE "PUBLIC" AREAS WHERE THE ALCOHOL EXTN. IS PROPOSED MEANS THAT MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC NOT CONNECTED WITH THE CLUB, CAN ENTER THOSE PLACES, NOT TO MENTION CHILDREN WHO MAY BE UNACCOMPANIED. THIS COULD COMPROMISE PUBLIC SAFETY AND RISKS HARM TO CHILDREN AS THOSE WHO HAVE CONSUMED ALCOHOL MAY NOT BE AS COHERENT OR AWARE OF THEIR SURROUNDS.

Premises: SOUTH NEWSHAM PAVILLION, BLYTH

Reason for Representation: SEE ABOVE

(continue on separate sheet if necessary)

Signed - Mr. [REDACTED]

14th May 2017

16 MAY 2017

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Name: C. A. SHARP MS Address: 3

EASTWOOD AVENUE..... Licensing Objective: REFUSE THE APPLICATION

Premises: THE PAVILION, SOUTH NEWSHAM PARK, BLYTH

Reason for Representation: I object to the application above on the following (continue on separate sheet if necessary) grounds:

PREVENTION OF PUBLIC NUISANCE Applicant has already proven themselves UNWILLING TO ABIDE BY THEIR NOISE ABATEMENT ORDER. GRANTING THIS APPLICATION EXTENDS THE LIKELIHOOD OF FURTHER INFRINGEMENTS & HOUSING IS CURRENTLY BEING BUILT CLOSER TO PREMISES INCREASING LIKELIHOOD OF COMPLAINTS DEMANDING YET MORE COUNCIL EFFORT TO BE SPENT ON THE CLUB IN THE INTEREST OF PUBLIC SAFETY. LONGER LICENSING WILL MAKE THE CLUB'S EVENTS EVEN MORE ATTRACTIVE TO THE WIDER PUBLIC. THE LAST BIG EVENT WAS THEIR LOCAL DERBY EVENT AND THE PARKING OVERSPILL MADE THE JUNCTIONS DEADLY. THIS WILL PERSIST LATER INTO DARKNESS. THE LOCAL POLICE ATTENDANCE WAS DERISORY. RESIDENTS WERE UNSUPPORTED BY THE COUNCIL & POLICE & I KNOW OF SOME VERBAL ABUSE TOWARD RESIDENTS SPOTTED PHOTOGRAPHING BADLY PARKED VEHICLES. ALSO PREMISES CURRENTLY A BUILDING SITE AND MEMBERS OF PUBLIC ARE ENTITLED TO ACCESS TO ENCLOSED AREA AT ALL TIMES. THIS GIVES RISE TO THE POTENTIAL FOR CONFLICT & CONFRONTATION BETWEEN MEMBERS AND PUBLIC WITH ALCOHOL BEING A FACTOR.

PROTECTION OF CHILDREN FROM HARM. THIS CLUB HAS REPEATEDLY CAST ITSELF AS BEING LARGELY FOR THE BENEFIT OF LOCAL CHILDREN. THIS HAS GAINED THEM SERIOUS FUNDING FROM THE COUNCIL, OUTSIDE BODIES & THEIR MEMBERSHIP. THEIR RECENT EFFORTS REVEAL THAT THIS HAS BEEN A RUSE. LET'S BREAK THE ASSUMPTION THAT PROGRESS TO AN ADULT TEAM INVOLVES ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION AS A MATTER OF COURSE & TO FULLY PARTICIPATE IN THE LIFE OF THE CLUB. MRS ORR'S FIRST APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE WAS

SO SHE COULD KEEP "ONE FRIDGE WITH A FEW CANS" IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE HOSPITALITY THAT PROGRESS TO A HIGHER LEAGUE DEMANDED. WHERE WILL ALL THIS RE-APPLYING END? SOME MEMBERS OF THE CLUB HAVE AMBITIONS THAT MEAN THE CLUB'S NEIGHBOURS RIGHTS MUST BE SACRIFICED SO AS TO FURTHER THE AIMS OF THESE TIN POT DICTATORS. THE CLASH JUST MAKES MORE WORK FOR COUNCIL OFFICERS - THIS WILL MULTIPLY TEN FOLD IF A NON MEMBER CHILD IS HARMED BEING ON THE UNLEASED LAND DURING LICENSED HOURS. THE COUNCIL MIGHT BE LEFT USELESS.

PREVENTION OF CRIME AND DISORDER THE COUNCIL, BEING BOTH THE LANDLORD & THE LICENCE GRANTING BODY MUST ENSURE IT'S DONE ALL IN IT'S POWER TO PREVENT CRIME & DISORDER YET GRANTING THE LICENCE WILL ONLY INCREASE THE LIKELIHOOD OF THIS OCCURRING. NOBODY IS IN A BETTER POSITION TO UNDERSTAND HOW OUR TOWN IS SUFFERING FROM A LACK OF POLICE TO RESPOND TO INCIDENTS THAT ARISE AND CLEAR UP THE ENSUING MESS SUCH AS BEER CANS LEFT LYING AS EVIDENCE IF THE DRINKING WAS NOT CONFINED TO SOUTH NEWSHAM PARK

Signed

Date 15/4/2017.....

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Fwd:

1 message

Licensing Unknown <licensing@northumberland.gov.uk>
To: Heather Gebbie

11 May 2017 at 09:48

Please see below

----- Forwarded message -----

From:
Date: 10 May 2017 at 19:37
Subject:
To: licensing@northumberland.gov.uk

I strongly object to this application.

This is not a beer garden it is public open space all alcohol should be consumed inside the pavilion. This is primarily a children's football club and allowing adults to consume alcohol while the children are training or playing football is setting a bad example and not providing good role models. It reinforces the link between football and alcohol.

Unaccompanied Children have access to this area and it is unacceptable for people with alcohol to be in this area as well. The scenario of drunk adults being seen by children does not set a good example. Confrontation could arise with the general public and rowdy drinkers in this area.

Times vary from the site notice to the application document. The on site notice states licence from 10.30am where as the online application states alcohol to be served from 10.00am.

BTFC have no control of people entering and purchasing alcohol. This is not a pub

Illegal activity has already taken place here for example unauthorised gambling poker nights and offering alcohol for sale outside of their permitted hours and failure to give a receipt for food and drink even when asked for one.

BTFC have allowed a separate football club BTFCFT LTD to sell alcohol from this pavilion when BTFCFT Ltd do not have any license to sell alcohol at the site nor can they do this under the lease conditions.

A noise abatement order has been served on 5 members of BTFC because of unacceptable noise emanating from the site in the form of amplified music.

Mr Cooper (or anyone at BTFC) has no jurisdiction outside of the pavilion and can not act on any one who is in the public open space. He has a licence for inside that pavilion building only. For example how can he tell somebody to drink up and go home when they are in a public open space.

BTFC do not have a lease for the outside area only an operating and management agreement this means cutting the grass and keeping the place tidy. It does not state they can use this area as a beer garden.

BTFC have a history of not sticking to the rules. For example not adhering to the planning process it is now over 3.5 years after the initial application for the upgrading of the ground and they have constantly beached planning and conditions. BTFC have allowed a business to operate from the site (BTFCFTLTD) which is a violation of their lease.

Mr Cooper has encouraged binge drinking in the past by having special offers, or bar deals on for alcohol, eg 19th and 20th April 2016 buy 5 pints of Fosters for £10.00 or 5 pints Moretti for £13. When the first team of BTFC play at the site spectators are encouraged to drink as they are offered a free drink with the entry fee.

BTFC have run a cafe from the site, which is open to all, serving food and drink to general public. This was stopped by NCC as the opening hours were found to be outside the conditions of the lease so there is no necessity for extended hours with the alcohol license. BTFC also advertised and sold alcohol outside their licensing hours.

BTFC have stated the area outside is to allow the sale as well as the consumption of alcohol outside the building. BTFC do not have a street vendors license to allow any sale of goods on council land.

The licence department should check the lease and planning before granting this extension and the licence that they have now should be changed to reflect this as they should not be serving alcohol outside of the pavilion.

I put it to you that BTFC are not a responsible club and should have their licence revoked never mind extending their licence.

Mr A Ball
7 Elstree Gardens
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NE24 3RW

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Name: MR K.D. Birtle Address: 16, Esher Gardens

Blyth, Northumberland, Licensing Objective: Alcohol Area Extension
NE24 3ER.

Premises: South Newsham Pavillion & Field.

Reason for Representation:

(continue on separate sheet if necessary)

I object to the Extension made by "BTFC (DAVE COOPER) to extend the area where "ALCOHOL" can be consumed.

REASONS:-

- (i) THIS IS A PUBLIC OPEN FIELD & BTFC DO NOT HAVE THE LEASE FOR THIS AREA ONLY AN OPERATING LICENCE.
- (ii) MANY CHILDREN USE THIS AREA. HOW CAN IT BE RIGHT FOR BEER DRINKERS TO MIX WITH CHILDREN.
- (iii) MANY PEOPLE WANT TO WATCH THE FOOTBALL THE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL WOULD BE A "SAFETY" PROBLEM IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY SITUATION
- (iv) AT PRESENT THEY CAN ONLY DRINK IN THE BAR OR OUTSIDE PATIO AREA. I THINK ITS NOT NECESSARY TO EXTEND THIS TO THE FOOTBALL STANDING & SITTING AREA.

This football club AS Abused Many Regulation's
in the passed and really can not be trusted.
NCC currently have a "Noise Abatement order"
Against this club.

If more Alcohol Extension are allowed there
could be an increase in noise & litter
which local Residents have been complaining
to NCC for a Number of years.

Signed

Date 10th MAY 2017

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Liquor Licence Extension South Newsham Pavilion1 message

Lesley Rickerby

17 May 2017 at 17:48

Dear Heather,

I have recently been contacted by several residents who are extremely concerned about a Licensing Matter with regards to Blyth Town Football Club.

I understand that an application has been lodged to extend the conditions already levied on the club.

I do not know whether you are aware of the ongoing problems that have arisen between the residents and the club.

I wish to state clearly that the club was set up to encourage young people to participate in football and to enable them to have an interest and engage in social interaction with their peers.

I cannot express too strongly the excellent work that the club has and is doing for young people.

It is unfortunate, however, that the club is operating from council owned land which is Public Land and which the public should have access to and enjoy. Sadly, this facility has been allowed to restrict public access and although the club has been encouraged to engage with the residents, there has been a breakdown of understanding and the residents feel that their feelings and concerns have not been listened to.

The residents feel that the club consistently abuse and overstretch the licencing parameters. The noise level is often exceeded and the operation of Blyth Town Football Club Ltd which is catering for an adult first team on the site at South Newsham Pavilion has led to an unacceptable situation for the residents, where they feel their quality of life has been jeopardised.

I have had many complaints of unacceptable behaviour, excessive noise, access and parking problems to name a few.

It has been reported to me by residents, that a recent match on Sunday 14th May exacerbated residents concerns under the current licencing conditions and highlighted the very real concerns for an escalation of problems with the current application for an extension of times and physical areas where alcohol can be consumed upon the premises of South Newsham Pavilion.

On the 14th May a resident reported that there was, what appeared to be, post match entertainment with a large group of adults and children seated on the patio area engaging in raucous, raised voices and shouting which continued for several hours.

Adult males were standing holding bottles or glasses in the vicinity of 2 children and another adult kicking a football on the patio. After a time, it appeared to the resident that the males, who had been drinking, shouting and rolling about on the patio, were acting in a disorderly, drunken manner. Children were still present and no one took control of the situation.

I am extremely worried and concerned that matters at South Newsham Pavilion will escalate and conduct may be affected should the liquor licence extension be approved.

I would be grateful if you would give great consideration to residents objections and maybe look into the current conditions which the club should be adhering to.

It took me a long time, many years ago, for the residents and Blyth Town Football Club to come to an agreement with regards to the impact of entertainment at the pavilion. I am of the opinion that the pavilion should project a more open and accessible approach to all and I am not sure that a Liquor Licence Extension will bring this into fruition.

On the contrary, it has the propensity to make matters worse.

Cllr. Jeff Reid and I have been working at trying to sort matters out for our residents, whilst still supporting the good work BTFC do for the young people.

I am more than happy to meet with you to discuss the matter should you feel it necessary.

Kind regards,

Lesley

Lesley J Rickerby

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