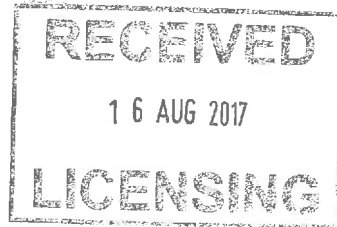


Mr C & Mrs R Sykes  
The Old Church,  
West Allerdean  
Berwick upon Tweed  
TD15 2TD



The Licensing Section  
Northumberland County C  
Stakeford Depot  
East View  
Stakeford  
Choppington  
NE62 5TR

Regards—Applicant --**Sarah Louise Carmichael and Robert Kingsley**

**The Plough Inn, TD15 2TD**

We feel it necessary to strongly object to the above application and to the following, in particular. Provision of live or recorded music from 10.00 to 01.00, dancing from 10.00 to 01.00. Late night refreshment extended from 23.00 to 05.00 and to extend supply of alcohol from 10.00 to 01.00.

Our house is situated less than 100 metres from the premises, and we have 2 young children , aged 6 and 8 years respectively . On Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> August, when a wedding was held neither of our children could sleep due to the noise of recorded and live music, in fact we had to ask for the music volume to be turned down, and that was at 00.00 am. Car parking for the guests was on the verge, and seemed to be causing some difficulties for passing vehicles, as it's on a blind bend . Guests were walking on the road, which again presented a potential hazard .

We strongly object to having 300 people , which they have mentioned in the application, with all the parking problems this presents. We also strongly object to having music being played outside , as the noise carries towards our house.

This is a quiet, and peaceful rural area with young families living within close proximity to the Plough Inn. We also have dogs and horses here, who again, do not appreciate the loud music being played late at night. Any loud music in the evening or late drinking , together with any potential revelry will have an adverse effect on family life in 5 local houses.

I have also attached some photos taken from my garden ,on the evening of 12<sup>th</sup> August, showing how guest car parking proved to be dangerous for traffic using the B6454.

We have no objections to an alcohol license being issued up to 23.00, however, a clear NO for late music and extended hours for alcohol and refreshment sales to 5.00am .

Yours Faithfully.

Colin Sykes



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Name: EDWARD AND LEZLEY  
YOUNGER

Address: 2 WEST ALLERDEAN COTTAGES  
BERWICK UPON TWEED  
TD 15 2TD

Licensing Objective: APPLICATION TO VARY A  
PREMISES LICENCE

Premises: THE PLOUGH INN - BERWICK-UPON-TWEED - TD 15 2TD  
LICENCE NO: NPR/1743

Reason for Representation:

(continue on separate sheet if necessary)

WE DO NOT OPPOSE NEW OWNERS SEEKING  
A LICENCE FROM 10:00 - 01:00 FRIDAY AND  
SATURDAY. ■ ANY OTHER LATE LICENCE WILL  
DISRUPT OUR WAY OF LIVING.

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED LETTER OF OPPOSITION .

Signed .....

Date 06 August 2017 .

**Please send this notice to the relevant licensing office for the area where the premises is situated**

Address details can be found on our website or by telephoning 0845 600 6400



The Younger Family  
Old Farm House  
(aka) 2 West Allerdean Cottages  
Berwick upon Tweed  
TD15 2TD

14 August 2017

To Whom It May Concern

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Objections against the proposal of Changes to Licensable Activities  
(converted licensing hours and extending licensing hours) at  
The Plough Inn, Allerdean, Berwick upon Tweed, TD15 2TD  
Licence no: NPR/1743**

The Younger Family have lived in the hamlet of Allerdean and farmed its land for generations. Our very local country pub, The Plough Inn, is situated just 60 metres away from our house, quite literally across the road (B6354) near a crossroads.

Over the years we have enjoyed popping over to the pub and having a drink/meal, taking part in quoits competitions in the pub's grounds, being part of friendly darts and pool matches run between other country pubs in the surrounding area, witnessing the occasional wedding, birthday celebration – which all ended before 01:00 and only took place on a weekend. Nothing was ever too noisy or raucous.

Newcomers to the pub were usually holiday-makers passing through and members of the Caravan Club who had pitched up in the small field adjacent to the pub and to whom they paid their dues for the privilege.

Our hamlet is in a green belt of farming land with mainly farmhouses and farm cottages clustered around the area. Those families who are not connected to the countryside by farming are usually people who have settled in the area for its tranquility, but with the benefit of conveniently accessing the town of Berwick upon Tweed which is only five miles away.

We have renovated and improved our home and gardens for our benefit and enjoyment and this in turn has added value to our property and we do not wish the value of our property to diminish with our hallowed space being taken over by hoards of revellers/music lovers attending live music events which could take place seven days a week until the early hours if this licence is granted! We had not felt the need during our home improvements over the years to install double-glazing to the rear of our property, instead choosing to keep our lovely original sash windows in situ, as up to present day there has not been any requirement to block out any noise from the surrounding area or from the pub across the road!

We have huge concerns over how the new owners of The Plough on the Hill (as it is now known)

intend to run this establishment that requires them to apply for a change to their licence to provide alcohol and music until early hours of the morning, seven days a week, and also the need to provide refreshments until 05:00? To what purpose would a quiet country pub wish to commence/practice extremely late-night licensing and events with usually only a small, local foot-fall and passers-by crossing their threshold and which only has parking for around 20 or so cars. We appreciate that they intend to provide meals for 70 or so covers and a welcoming outdoor space for family get-togethers like weddings, but not to provide a venue for vocal and instrumental performances by bands, solo performers, open mic events, both amplified and non-amplified, indoor and outdoor, etc, and surely not until 01:00 seven days a week!

A chance meeting with one of the new owners advised us their new venture was that of a high-end gastro-pub. However, we fear the new owners' intentions are to run a festival vibe at the pub by bussing people out from the town to partake in live music events. Such events invariably bring about music at high decibels and/or low bass beats, we fear that this may bring about drunken and anti-social behaviour, spoiling our way of life, our sleep, our well-being, tranquility, feeling the need to further secure our property and outbuildings and vehicles against regular happenings at the pub that lay host to 300 or more people most days and weeks!

The hamlet of Allerdean is atop a hill, something the new owners are very much aware of. Sound carries on the wind which is not conducive to amplified music and the song or sounds of revellers, both indoors and outdoors, drinking and making merry throughout the day and night. The installation of a wind farm in the vale behind the pub at the bottom of the hill was vetoed as its operational noise would be heard and carried on the wind and would be detrimental to the local inhabitants and the landscape.

For the past five months whilst the pub has been knocked down, re-built and refurbished, we have endured noisy drilling, earth movers, diggers, sand blasters, banging, stihl-saw cutting. We appreciate that this work needed to be undertaken. However, having to put up with several trades (joiners, roofers, bricklayers, etc) all being on-site together playing their music to drown out the noise of their machinery and actions and their loud banter, often foul language, and their rubbish all being caught on the wind and their rubbish thus littering our property has only served to worry us as to what such daily late licensing hours will have in store for us in the future.

We respect the new owners need to make a living, but we are totally opposed to the their premises being used for any other provision than that of being run as a Country Pub, catering for meals and drinks, a quiet outdoor area to sit in and for kids to play in and for the use of weekend only indoor occasions, such as weddings or birthday get-togethers, that the pub has played host to in the past and only until 12:00 midnight on a Saturday evening/Sunday morning.

The new owners held their own wedding and reception at The Plough on the hill this weekend (12 August 2017) which allowed us to gauge just what future events may have in store for us:-

- guests parking their cars outside our front and back doors and in our parking spaces/area as the wedding ushers wished to keep the pub car park free to allow their guests room to mingle;

- guests parking cars on the grass verges and grassed area around our house and down the roadside on the hill causing single file traffic as a result - which proved hazardous for local large farm vehicles coming past and turning beside said parked cars;
- guests double-parking and preventing access to the indoor container storage facility (Smales Storage) immediately opposite the pub and adjacent to our property;
- foul language from guests (and in front of their own children) when they were politely asked not to park outside our house/homes;
- amplified loud, live music emanating from a marquee (doors wide open all night) which served to disrupt our whole evening from around 18:30 onwards until 12:00 midnight as we were able to feel the beat of the music throughout the house and were subjected to a medley of 'The Drifters' greatest hits and a range of hit songs from a lady vocal artist;
- there were also live drums being played and what sounded like bagpipes;
- guests standing outside the front of our property (our kitchen window) making mobile telephone calls - we assume they were seeking a slightly quieter place in which to try and make a telephone call - and often using foul language.

We do not much care for the behaviour and foul-mouths of some of the new owners circle of friends, never mind the possibility of this happening every night by other event goers!

Perhaps we will have to ask the town's traffic Police to have more of a presence locally in future, just as they do outside the town's pubs and nightclubs that operate until the very early hours, to ensure law and order is upheld out in the countryside at Allerdean.

In summary, we strongly oppose the request for a change to the premises licence allowing functions both indoor and outdoor taking place seven days a week until 22:00 or until 01:00 nor the sale of hot food/drink from 23:00 to 05:00 seven days a week.

signed

~~Edward Younger~~

Mrs Lezley Younger





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LICENSING SECTION

Anthony Allan  
3 West Allerdean Cottages  
Berwick upon Tweed  
TD15 2TD

15 August 2017

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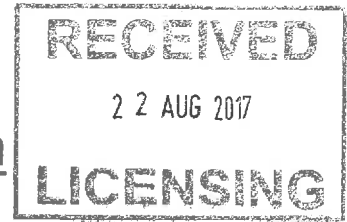
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Anthony Allan



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Name: .....Mr K. Gribbin.....

Address: ..... West Allerdean Farm, West Allerdean, Berwick -upon-Tweed, TD15 2TD.

Licensing Objective: ...Variation Premises Licence.

Premises: ...The Plough on the Hill, Allerdean, Berwick upon Tweed, TD15 2TD.

Reason for Representation:

Whilst we fully support the refurbishment of the premises for the local community and beyond, we do not believe that the variation to the license addresses the issues of public safety and prevention of public nuisance.

With the hours requested for the supply of alcohol in section M to the application and the hours of late night refreshment detailed in section L, there is a serious worry for potential accidents.

The location of the premises and proposed capacity of over 500 people will cause an unacceptable adverse impact, particularly on local residents, as the level of public transport in the area is insufficient to cope with this high demand. Parking has been provided to accommodate 24 cars (including one disabled space) giving a capacity of around 100 people onsite including staff and patrons. In the event of the premises being at full or near to capacity the local residents will be impacted through inappropriate parking at closer proximity to private houses than the current pub car park, with all the associated late night starting of engines and inevitable noise of drunken passengers entering vehicles.

West Allerdean is a rural area with no street lighting and a 60-mph speed limit on the road adjacent. These factors will increase the safety risk to those patrons returning to their vehicles. Whilst the license holder has committed to make readily available the contact information for hackney carriages and other private hire firms, it is uncertain whether there is suitable capacity within the local transport market to cope with the dispersal of over 500 people in the early hours of the morning.

As detailed in Section L the hours of late night refreshment from 01.00 to 05.00, with consideration for the local community, we would suggest that all late night activities be kept indoors, where the staff will be able to fully implement their stated noise control measures of closing windows and doors.

As previously stated, the refurbishment of the premises is to be seen as a positive endeavour although our concern is the capacity of the premises and the impact this will have on the immediate local, rural community which is home to three families with young children, the elderly, disabled residents and a local business.

Kind regards

Mr K. Gribbin

Signed .....

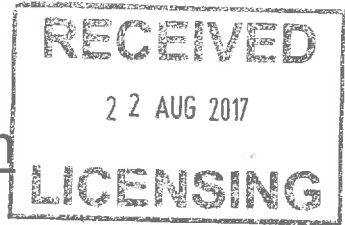
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Name: .....Mrs Jane W Smales.....

Address: ..... Thornton Farm Berwick -upon-Tweed, TD15 2LP

Licensing Objective: ...Variation Premises Licence.

Premises: ...The Plough on the Hill, Allerdean, Berwick upon Tweed, TD15 2TD.

Reason for Representation:

I am director of L C Smales & Son Ltd which operates a farming and secure storage business from West Allerdean Farm, Berwick upon Tweed TD15 2TD.

I wrote to the Planning Authority in favour of the refurbishment of this public house as I believe that rural businesses should be supported. Sadly I have huge concerns over this licence application.

The public house is situated on the busy B6354 road just past a crossroads on a blind bend with a 60 mph speed restriction. The car parking within the confines of the public house is for 24 car parking spaces. The planned total capacity originally stated, is for the following: Lounge 70, Main Bar 60, Dining/Conservatory 74, Lower Terraced Garden 300, making a total of 504 or over 500 people. Car parking will inevitably spill over the B6354 road in front of the private houses and our storage warehouse, with patrons crossing this fast road to the public house and returning to their cars, as requested in the application, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It should be added that there is no street lighting in this area adding to potentially dangerous situations. Our business requires access to a warehouse directly opposite the Plough on the Hill 24 hours per day but if there are cars parked or left overnight we cannot guarantee entry to our facility.

This small rural community consists of homes with young families and disabled residents, I feel strongly that there is no need to have the ability to have music playing till 1.00 a.m. seven days a week or the permission in place to have late night refreshment both inside and out till 5.00 a.m. seven nights per week.

Road safety should be the main consideration in this application. Alcohol fuelled patrons crossing a busy road, with no street lighting, is a recipe for a tragedy waiting to happen.

Yours sincerely

Jane W Smales

Signed .....

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Date ..... 21.08.2017 .....

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