

12 JUL 2021

Notice of Representation

Members of the public can submit representations in objection to or in support of the premises licence applications, within the 28 day consultation period.

Please be aware that for any objections to be considered relevant, they should be submitted before the end of the consultation period and they should address the four licensing objectives in relation to the licensing activity.

The licensing objectives are the prevention of crime and disorder, prevention of public nuisance, public safety and the protection of children from harm.

Please be aware that where representations are considered relevant copies of the representation will be provided to the applicant and the Licensing Sub Committee.

Please note: Objections will only be considered where a name and address are supplied.

Name:MicheleLannon..... Address: 55 Eastern Way, Ponteland, NE209RE.....

..... Licensing Objective:
...RXA.HOL356.1.....

Premises:Rialto,1,Main Street,
Ponteland.....

Reason for Representation:

(continue on separate sheet if necessary)

I wish to object to the application of a premises licence under Sec 17 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the following reasons:-

Ponteland is very much a family orientated village and also home to older residents. At the moment the balance of the village in relation to public houses, restaurants and take away facilities is "just about right" whereby it serves it's purposes for the local residents as well as visitors from surrounding areas. However, the increase in use of outdoor spaces during the Covid pandemic has probably increased by 50% in the last year and this is starting to show in relation to increase of traffic as more people visit the area. In light of the proposal of a potential further 500 people descending upon the village this will cause untold issues which are outlined below

CRIME AND DISORDER

The proposal will attract a further 500 plus people to the village whereby more police will be required to control any anti-social behaviour, which will include drunkenness, petty theft, violence, drug dealing. Policing as we know is very stretched in the north east area. Furthermore, additional resources like ambulances will be required adding more

expense to the tax payer. The outline of proposal will attract the younger generation who statistically are the major benefactors of crime and disorder under the influence of drugs and alcohol.

PUBLIC NUISANCE

The majority of the customers will be outside and this will seriously impact on the noise pollution for nearby residents, as well as other residents walking in close proximity to the venue.

The likelihood of littering is also a concern to the outside of the venue and surrounding area.

PUBLIC SAFETY

The location of the venue is immediately adjacent to the main road and the likelihood of customers consuming excess levels of alcohol are high therefore jeopardising their safety as well as other road users.

When the venue closes at night 100's of people will descend onto a small area which could potentially cause overspilling onto the main road.

Parking is a BIG issue within the village and due to the expected increase in traffic there is insufficient parking facilities to combat this. Misuse of nearby restaurant/pub parking will no doubt occur having an impact on other local businesses.

PROTECTION OF CHILDREN FROM HARM

As previously stated the village is a family orientated area, if this licence was given the green light it would have a huge impact on family lives. Children passing by will be able to see and hear quite clearly anti-social behaviour in terms of drunkenness, public order offences and excessive noise.