

## 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: Ponteland Town Council

Address: Unit 1 Meadowfield Court, Meadowfield Industrial Estate, Ponteland NE20 9SD

Licensing Objective: The prevention of crime and disorder, prevention of public nuisance, public safety and the protection of children from harm.

Premises:

Rialto, 1 Main Street, Ponteland NE20 9NH and land adjacent thereto ref NZ16600 72807

Reason for Representation:

*(continue on separate sheet if necessary)*

**The prevention of crime and disorder:** Ponteland Town Council are pleased to learn that security will be on site 24 hours a day to help with the prevention of crime and disorder and adequate training to deal with any issues of disorder or crime on the premises.

**Prevention of public nuisance:** Ponteland Town Council have concerns about the potential for noise and disturbance to nearby residents. The Council are pleased to learn that an ongoing noise assessment would comply with the World Health organisation noise guidelines - permissible decibel limits in residential areas, during the day 55dB (A) and night time 45dB (A). The Council have noted the changes to the outdoor alcohol sales times within the application.

**Public safety:** Ponteland Town Council are aware that an increase of traffic in this area would be a planning issue. However, we believe it is a matter of **public safety** to other road users and pedestrians and would seek relevant action potentially including some signage to help to address this issue. Ponteland Town Council have concerns regarding the emergency exit over the small bridge at the rear of the premises. The Council seeks reassurances that the bridge would be brought up to the appropriate safety standards and that the land on the far side be accessible at all times when the premises are open to the public. The premises are beside the River Pont and the Council seek reassurances that a full safety assessment be carried out with the relevant consultees and consideration be given to the installation of the correct safety measures to separate the river from the premises.

**The protection of children from harm:** Ponteland Town Council have concerns about the proximity of the premises to the River Pont. It is believed from the applicant that this would be a family-based environment and this raises concerns that children could be at risk due to this proximity. The Council seeks reassurances that a full safety assessment be carried out with the relevant consultees and consideration be given to the installation of the correct safety measures to separate the river from the premises. Any barriers or walls would be a planning issue and Ponteland Town Council remind the applicant that this is within the conservation area and relevant restrictions apply.

Signed ..... Date 14<sup>th</sup> July 2021

On behalf of Ponteland Town Council

**Please send this notice to the address below:**

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