

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: Kelly Todd

Address: 32 Callerton Court, Darras Hall, Ponteland, NE20 9EN

Licensing Objective: Prevention of Public Nuisance

Prevention of Crime & Disorder

Premises: Rialto, 1 Main Street, Ponteland, NE20 9NH and Land adjacent thereto ref NZ1660072807

Reason for Representation:

I have serious concerns regarding the nature and scale of the development planned for the above location.

Ponteland is a village and, at present, has a small and well supported group of pubs and restaurants. However, in recent years, the number of these establishments has gradually increased but the infrastructure within Ponteland has not and is now at saturation point. I do not believe it can support another venue/setting such as this and on this scale.

It is my belief that these plans will lead to an increase in general nuisance to the village and neighbouring Darras Hall Estate.

The hours of operation are extensive (before taking into account deliveries etc out with these hours) which will lead to an increase in noise emanating from the premises both day and night into the late evening.

Where I live on the edge of the Darras Hall Estate, every year during the Ponteland Beer Festival we are able to clearly hear the noise of music and gathering people which can be loud, despite being approximately ¼ mile away and shutting our windows etc. This is something that is tolerable due to the fact it is a one-off occurrence each year. This proposed planning application is approximately the same distance away from our home and to have noise pollution/nuisance like that every weekend (and possibly some week nights too) would destroy the very essence of the garden village home that we chose. As there are residential properties even closer than our property, it is surely unreasonable to expect them to put up with the noise and disruption that this development would create.

In addition to the noise, there will be additional light pollution to the immediate vicinity and neighbouring residential properties and, inevitably, due to the way in which the food will be dispensed and the nature of the setting, this will lead to an increase in littering in the immediate and wider area.

Furthermore, we have very little police presence in Ponteland, used to dealing with small scale rural crime and the odd troublesome teenager. I am unable to see how they will be able to deal with any associated uptick in crime and disorder that may result if this plan were to proceed, with approx. 500-700 additional people drinking each weekend. My concerns are for the safety and wellbeing of the local residents who will be unable to enjoy the village and the disruption an influx of this number of people will cause.

People who live in Ponteland, or those who come to enjoy the best of what Ponteland has to offer, do so because of its village charm. I do not believe it should be offered up as an alternative to Jesmond or Newcastle.

Signed

Date 05/07/21

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