



Licensing Sub-Committee Thursday, 5th February, 2009

Place: Council Chamber, Civic Offices, High Street, Epping

Time: 10.00 am

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Members:
Councillors R Barrett, D Dodeja, Mrs R Gadsby and J Wyatt

PLEASE NOTE THE START TIME OF THE MEETING

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Under the terms of reference for the Licensing Committee each Sub-Committee is required to elect a Chairman on an ad hoc basis for the duration of the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

(Assistant to the Chief Executive) To declare interests in any item on this agenda.

4. PROCEDURE FOR THE CONDUCT OF BUSINESS (Pages 5 - 10)

5. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

Exclusion: To consider whether, under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press should be excluded from the meeting for the items of business set out below on grounds that they will involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the following paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act (as amended) or are confidential under Section 100(A)(2):

Agenda Item No	Subject	Exempt Information Paragraph Number
6	Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence – Mr R J Plester	1

The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, which came into effect on 1 March 2006, requires the Council to consider whether maintaining the exemption listed above outweighs the potential public interest in disclosing the

information. Any member who considers that this test should be applied to any currently exempted matter on this agenda should contact the proper officer at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Confidential Items Commencement: Paragraph 9 of the Council Procedure Rules contained in the Constitution require:

- (1) All business of the Council requiring to be transacted in the presence of the press and public to be completed by 10.00 p.m. at the latest.
- (2) At the time appointed under (1) above, the Chairman shall permit the completion of debate on any item still under consideration, and at his or her discretion, any other remaining business whereupon the Council shall proceed to exclude the public and press.
- (3) Any public business remaining to be dealt with shall be deferred until after the completion of the private part of the meeting, including items submitted for report rather than decision.

Background Papers: Paragraph 8 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules of the Constitution define background papers as being documents relating to the subject matter of the report which in the Proper Officer's opinion:

- (a) disclose any facts or matters on which the report or an important part of the report is based; and
- (b) have been relied on to a material extent in preparing the report and does not include published works or those which disclose exempt or confidential information (as defined in Rule 10) and in respect of executive reports, the advice of any political advisor.

Inspection of background papers may be arranged by contacting the officer responsible for the item.

6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 - APPLICATION FOR A HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER'S LICENCE - MR R J PLESTER (Pages 11 - 16)

(Director of Corporate Support Services) To consider the attached application.

7. INCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

That the public and press be invited back into the meeting for the remaining item(s) of business.

8. LICENSING ACT 2003 - APPLICATION TO VARY A PREMISES LICENCE - BAYLISS NEWS, 159 HIGH STREET, LOUGHTON (Pages 17 - 34)

(Director of Corporate Support Services) To consider the attached report.

Agenda Item 4

PART 3(2) - RESPONSIBILITY FOR COUNCIL FUNCTIONS

LICENSING COMMITTEE – TERMS OF REFERENCE

(1) The full Committee shall comprise 11 Councillors appointed by the Council at its annual meeting, including a Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

... (2) For the functions set out in Annex 1, and the legislation listed in Annex 2, a Sub-Committee consisting of no more than any three Councillors drawn, in alphabetical order, from the members of the full Committee shall be formed. Any such Sub-Committee shall elect a Chairman on an ad-hoc basis.

(3) For the transaction of business at full Committee meetings, the quorum shall be a minimum of five Committee members save that no business shall be transacted unless either the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Committee is present.

(4) The Committee and Sub-Committees shall have full authority to hear and determine licensing applications.

(5) The Committee and Sub-Committees shall be further empowered to determine appeals made against the decisions of the Head of Environmental Services taken under delegated authority on licensing applications.

... (6) The Committee shall at all times carry out its duties solely within the policy from time to time determined by the Council and shall conduct its proceedings in accordance with the requirements set out in Annex 3 (Conduct of Business by Licensing Committee and Sub-Committees).

(7) The Licensing Committee shall take no part in the production or revision of the statement of licensing policy made under Section 5 of the Licensing Act 2003, however, they may determine policy under the legislation listed in Annex 3.

**PART 3(2) – RESPONSIBILITY
FOR FUNCTIONS
LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Licensing Act 2003 – LIST OF FUNCTIONS AND DELEGATED AUTHORITY

Matter to be dealt with	Full Committee	Sub Committee	Officers
Application for personal licence		If a police objection	If no objection made
Application for personal licence with unspent convictions		All cases	
Application for premises licence/club premises certificate		If a relevant representation made	If no relevant representation made
Application for provisional statement		If a relevant representation made	If no relevant representation made
Application to vary premises licence/club premises certificate		If a relevant representation made	If no relevant representation made
Application to vary designated premises supervisor		If a police objection	All other cases
Request to be removed as designated premises supervisor			All cases
Application for transfer of premises licence		If a police objection	All other cases
Applications for interim Authorities		If a police objection	All other cases
Application to review premises licence/club premises certificate		All cases	
Decision on whether a complaint is irrelevant frivolous vexatious etc			All cases
Decision to object when local authority is a consultee and not the relevant authority considering the application		All cases	
Determination of a police objection to a temporary event notice		All cases	
All policy matters except the formulation of the statement of licensing policy	All cases		

**PART 3(2) – RESPONSIBILITY
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LICENSING COMMITTEE**

LIST OF STATUTORY POWERS

Those functions pertaining to licensing and registration and permits and consents contained in the following legislation and any regulations, orders, byelaws or other subsidiary legislation made under the above Acts:

Animal Boarding Establishments Act 1963
Breeding & Sale of Dogs (Welfare) Act 1999
Breeding of Dogs Act 1973
Breeding of Dogs Act 1991
Caravan Sites & Control of Development Act 1960
Caravan Sites Act 1968
Dangerous Wild Animals Act 1976
Game Licences Act 1860
Gaming Act 1968
Guard Dogs Act 1975
House to House Collections Act 1939
Licensing Act 2003
Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976
Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982
Lotteries & Amusements Act 1976
Pet Animals Acts 1951 & 1981
Riding Establishments Acts 1964 & 1970
Scrap Metal Dealers Act 1964
The Game Act 1831
Town Police Clauses Act 1847
Town Police Clauses Act 1889
Zoo Licensing Act 1981

Part 3(2) – Responsibility for Functions

PART A – CONDUCT OF BUSINESS BY LICENSING COMMITTEE AND SUB-COMMITTEES

All references to committee in this annex shall be taken to infer a reference to the associated sub-committees.

1. General Conduct

- 1.1 All hearings of the Licensing Committee under the Licensing Act 2003, are to be held in accordance with the Personal Licences, Hearings, Premises Licences and Club Premises Certificates, and Licensing Register Regulations, made under the Licensing Act 2003.
- 1.2 The Council's Constitution shall regulate the conduct of and debate at meetings.
- 1.3 In the case of hearings under the Licensing Act 2003, the Committee shall only consider those matters relevant to the licensing objectives as set out in the Licensing Act 2003 and the statement of licensing policy adopted by the Council.

2. Declarations of Interest

- 2.1 Members of the Committee are subject to the Council's Code of Conduct and to advice from the Standard Board for England, details of which will be provided to those members.

3. Participation in the Hearing

- 3.1 Debate shall be restricted to members of the Licensing Committee. Where a local ward member, not being a member of the Committee, wishes to participate in the hearing, they may do so only with the permission of the Chairman and their participation shall be subject to the same rules as are applied to any other witnesses to the application.
- 3.2 In hearings other than those under the Licensing Act 2003, where a ward member is a member of the Committee, and wishes to object to the application, the member shall give 14 days' notice of their intention, and shall play no part in the decision-making process of the Committee. In hearings under the Licensing Act 2003, those named as responsible authorities and interested parties in the Act may only make representations within the time limits set out in the relevant statutory provisions.
- 3.3 All persons participating in the hearing shall be made aware of the limitations or scope of statements that will be acceptable and, in particular, that statements should be factual or a fair statement on a matter of public interest.

4. Attendance of the Public

- 4.1 The Council's Constitution and relevant statutory provisions relating to the admission or exclusion of the public shall apply to all meetings of the Licensing Committee.

5. Natural Justice

5.1 There are two elements to natural justice:

(a) Fairness

- (i) All persons affected by the decision or in the case of matters associated with the Licensing Act 2003, those named as responsible authorities and interested parties in the Act, will be allowed a hearing before a decision is made.
- (ii) Only objectors who can show clearly that they are affected by a decision shall be afforded the right to be heard or, in the case of hearings under the Licensing Act 2003, only those named in the Act as responsible authorities or interested parties.
- (iii) All information shall be made available, where possible in advance, to the applicant and the Committee.
- (iv) All members of the Committee shall be present throughout the hearing of a particular application. Where a member arrives late or leaves during a hearing of a particular application, that member shall play no part in the decision-making process. Where an application is adjourned it shall be continued by the same members only, and no others.
- (v) The Committee shall have discretion in respect of 'late' objections. Such objections shall be clearly marked on the agenda as such and the Committee shall decide on their acceptability. The applicant shall be advised of any late objections. In the case of representations made in relation to the Licensing Act 2003 applications, these shall only be accepted in accordance with the relevant statutory provisions.

(b) Prevention of Bias

- (i) The rules on the declarations of interest shall be firmly applied.
- (ii) If the Committee moves into private session to consider its decision, it shall be accompanied only by its advising officers, none of whom shall have taken a substantive part in the hearing, and shall play no substantive part in the decision-making process.

6. General Procedures for Hearings

6.1 The following procedural requirements shall be followed at all times:

- (a) There shall be no recommendation from officers on the agenda;
- (b) The Committee shall be supplied with copies of all relevant documentation and the process and order of procedure shall be as follows:
 - (i) The Chairman will open the meeting and introduce persons as appropriate asking applicants and representatives to identify themselves.
 - (ii) The Chairman will outline the procedure to be followed.

- (iii) The Lead Officer will outline the matter in hand.
- (iv) The applicant or representative will present his/her case, with or without witnesses, and be questioned by members or any objectors/persons making representations present.
- (v) Any objectors/persons making representations may then present their objections/representation, with or without witnesses, and be questioned by members or the applicant/s or their representative.
- (vi) The objectors/persons making representations may make a final statement (without introducing new issues).
- (vii) Finally, the applicant has the right to make a final statement (without introducing new issues).
- (viii) All evidence/disclosures are to be made in the presence of all persons, unless someone voluntarily excuses themselves from the proceedings.
- (ix) Committee members shall restrict themselves to questions and not discussion or comment.
- (x) The applicant, objectors/persons making representations shall be allowed to ask officers questions of a technical/factual nature at any time during the proceedings.
- (xi) An adjournment should be granted where to do otherwise would deny a fair hearing.
- (xii) The Committee may resolve to decide upon the application in private session, however, if it becomes necessary to recall anyone for additional information, everyone shall be invited to return to the Hearing.
- (xiii) The decision shall be given in the presence of all parties that wish to be present and confirmed in writing as soon as possible thereafter. If legal advice is given to members this advice will be repeated in summary form.

By virtue of paragraph(s) 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

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***Report to Licensing Sub-Committee
Date of meeting: 5 February 2009***

Subject: Bayliss News, 159 High Street, Loughton

Responsible Officer: Kim Tuckey.

Democratic Services: Gary Woodhall.



Decision Required:

To consider a application for a variation of a premises licence

Report:

An application has been received for a variation of an existing premises licence granted under the Licensing Act 2003. The authority has received objections from Essex Police and four objections from interested parties.

Attached documents below:

- Selected parts of the Application form;
- Objection letter from Essex Police; and
- Four objections from interested parties.

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Application to vary a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form.
 If you are completing this form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. Use additional sheets if necessary.
 You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

I/We **Bayliss News**

(Insert name(s) of applicant)

being the premises licence holder, apply to vary a premises licence under section 34 of the Licensing Act 2003 for the premises described in Part 1 below

Premises licence number LN/210001219
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Part 1 – Premises Details

Postal address of premises or, if none, ordnance survey map reference or description			
Baylis News			
159 High Road			
Post town	Loughton	Post code	IG10 4LF

Telephone number at premises (if any)	
Non-domestic rateable value of premises	£12250

Part 2 – Applicant details

Daytime contact telephone number	
E-mail address (optional)	
Current postal address if different from premises address	
Post Town	
Postcode	

Part 3 - Variation

Please tick yes

Do you want the proposed variation to have effect as soon as possible?

If not do you want the variation to take effect from

Day Month Year

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Please describe briefly the nature of the proposed variation (Please see guidance note 1)
Extension of hours to SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION OFF.

If your proposed variation would mean that 5,000 or more people are expected to attend the premises at any one time, please state the number expected to attend

M

Supply of alcohol Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			Will the supply of alcohol be for consumption (Please tick box) (please read guidance note 7)	On the premises	<input type="checkbox"/>
				Off the premises	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
				Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
Day	Start	Finish	State any seasonal variations for the supply of alcohol (please read guidance note 4) N/A		
Mon	00:00	00:00			
Tue	00:00	00:00			
Wed	00:00	00:00			
Thur	00:00	00:00			
Fri	00:00	00:00			
Sat	00:00	00:00			
Sun	00:00	23:00			
			Non-standard timings. Where you intend to use the premises for the supply of alcohol at different times to those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5) N/A		

N

Please highlight any adult entertainment or services, activities, other entertainment or matters ancillary to the use of the premises that may give rise to concern in respect of children (please read guidance note 8)
N/A

O

Hours premises are open to the public Standard days and timings (please read guidance note 6)			State any seasonal variations (please read guidance note 4) N/A
Day	Start	Finish	Non standard timings. Where you intend the premises to be open to the public at different times from those listed in the column on the left, please list (please read guidance note 5) N/A
Mon	00:00	00:00	
Tue	00:00	00:00	
Wed	00:00	00:00	
Thur	00:00	00:00	
Fri	00:00	00:00	
Sat	00:00	00:00	
Sun	00:00	23:00	

Please identify those conditions currently imposed on the licence which you believe could be removed as a consequence of the proposed variation you are seeking

Please tick yes

- I have enclosed the premises licence
- I have enclosed the relevant part of the premises licence

If you have not ticked one of these boxes please fill in reasons for not including the licence, or part of it, below

Reasons why I have failed to enclose the premises licence or relevant part of premises licence
Parts of the licence is lost. We have attached £10,50 for replacement

P Describe any additional steps you intend to take to promote the four licensing objectives as a result of the proposed variation:

a) General – all four licensing objectives (b,c,d,e) (please read guidance note 9)

The standard practices listed below will be maintained at all times. All reasonable steps will be taken to ensure that the premises will have a positive impact upon the local environment and its residents at all times.

b) The prevention of crime and disorder

CCTV system shall be installed and maintained inside and outside the premises, including a CCTV unit, which monitors the immediate vicinity of the premises. All cameras shall continually record whilst the premises are open to the public and the recordings shall be kept available for a minimum of 31 days with time and date stamping. Recordings shall be made available to an authorised officer or a police officer with 24 hours of any request

c) Public safety

Appropriate fire safety procedures are in place along with appliances including fire extinguishers (Foam, H2O and CO2), fire blankets, internally illuminated fire exit signs, a smoke detector and emergency lighting. All appliances are checked annually and comply with relevant British Standards.

All fire escapes/escape routes will be clearly marked and kept free from obstructions at all times.

d) The prevention of public nuisance

All customers are asked to respect the surroundings and behave in an orderly manner.

Signs will be installed to remind customers respect neighbours and leave quietly.

Patrons will be discouraged from congregating outside the premises.

All waste generated by the premises will be dealt with appropriately.

e) The protection of children from harm

Restrictions under the Licensing Act 2003 will apply.

Alcohol will only be served over 18's only.

The licensee and staff will ask persons who appear to be under the age of 18 for photographic ID such as proof of age cards, the Connexions Card and Citizen Card, photographic driving licence or passport, an official identity card issued by HM Forces or by an EU country, bearing the photograph and date of birth of bearer.

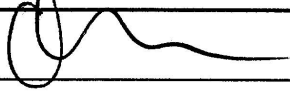
Please tick yes

- I have made or enclosed payment of the fee
- I have sent copies of this application and the plan to responsible authorities and others where applicable
- I understand that I must now advertise my application
- I have enclosed the premises licence or relevant part of it or explanation
- I understand that if I do not comply with the above requirements my application will be rejected

IT IS AN OFFENCE, LIABLE ON CONVICTION TO A FINE UP TO LEVEL 5 ON THE STANDARD SCALE, UNDER SECTION 158 OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003 TO MAKE A FALSE STATEMENT IN OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION

Part 5 – Signatures (please read guidance note 10)

Signature of applicant (the current premises licence holder) or applicant's solicitor or other duly authorised agent (please read guidance note 11). **If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.**

Signature	
Date	2 nd December 2008
Capacity	APPLICANTS AGENT

Where the premises licence is jointly held signature of 2nd applicant (the current premises licence holder) or 2nd applicant's solicitor or other authorised agent (please read guidance note 12). **If signing on behalf of the applicant please state in what capacity.**

Signature	
Date	
Capacity	

Contact name (where not previously given) and address for correspondence associated with this application (please read guidance note 13)

NARTS
90 GREEN LANES

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If you would prefer us to correspond with you by e-mail your e-mail address (optional)
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Simon Fisher
Licensing Unit
Epping Police Station, High Street
Epping
Essex
CM16 4AP
01279 625405

10/12/2008

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your amended application to extend the trading hours of Bayliss News, 159 High Road Loughton Essex on Fridays and Saturdays from 0600 to 0200 hours the following day.

I have replied to your application by writing to the local authority Epping Forest District Council stating that your original application would be challenged under the Licensing Act on the grounds of Prevention of Crime and Disorder. Although your application is greatly amended the extended hours are very late and a temptation to persons leaving late night alcohol establishments, our grounds for objecting remain the same. I have to say there is no off licence premises in this borough that trades after 2300 hours

I have copied this letter to Miss Nicky Glasscock of Epping Forest District Council Licensing Department stating Essex Police Authority will on the grounds I have outlined.

Yours Faithfully

Simon Fisher. Div Lic Officer Epping Police Station..





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Website: www.essex.police.uk
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Licensing Officer
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04/12/2008

Dear Miss Glasscock,

I am in receipt of an application made by The National Association of Turkish Restaurants, Takeaways, and Supermarkets on behalf of Bayliss News a convenience store sited at 159 High Road Loughton, Essex IG10 4LF.

The application concerns a variation to the trading hours of the license from the current hours of 0800 to 2300 hours Monday to Saturday and 1000 to 2200 hours on Sundays. There are non-standards times for Christmas Day 1200 to 1500 hours and 1700 to 2230 hours. In addition Good Friday hours are 0800 to 2230 hours.

The variation request is to change for trading hours to run from 0000 to 0000 hours daily seven days a week. The current Designated Premises Supervisor is Mrs Nurcan Coskun. The current premises license was granted dated 12th May 2006. During that date and the present date Police have received intelligence of under age sales of alcohol and Trading Standards have test purchased on two occasions and proved under age sales. In both these instances letters were sent by Trading Standards to Mrs Coskun informing her by way of a warning of the possibilities of breach of the Licensing Act 2003.

The shop premises known as Bayliss News, is located in the High Road Loughton and has in close proximity to it several late night venues for consumption on the premises.

The Licensing Act 2003 has within it four Licensing objectives,

- 1) Prevention of Crime and Disorder.
- 2) Public Safety
- 3) The Prevention of public nuisance
- 4) The protection of children from harm.



I have sought advice from higher authority and I have been instructed to object on behalf of Essex Police Authority on the grounds of a) Prevention of Crime and disorder in that persons who have already visited late night venues and having consumed alcohol to a lesser or greater degree having the opportunity to purchase more alcohol, and b) prevention of children from harm as we already have evidence of under age sales.

I now ask that this letter be forwarded to The Licensing Department at Epping Forest District Council to note Police Ojections, and if other responsible authorities have issues or comments to make that a hearing be arranged in the future. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours Faithfully

Simon Fisher. Div Licensing Officer Epping Police Station.

Copy to Mr Mahir Kilic of N.A.R.T.S. OG 90 Green Lanes Newington Green, London N16 9EJ

Simon Fisher

From: Elizabeth Thomas
To: Tuckey, Kim
Date: 07/01/2009 11:52:02
Subject: Fwd: Re: Extended Licensing Hours Application : Baylis News, 159 High Road (Loughton) - supply of alcohol

Elizabeth Thomas
Management Assistant
Planning Services Ext: 4115

>>> "Amy & Alano" <amyalano@ntlworld.com> 12/31 12:18 pm >>>

Subject: Baylis News, 159 High Road - supply of alcohol 08:00 - 02:00. Fri and Sat.

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are opposed to an extension of the current permission to supply alcohol beyond 11pm each night. Already there is far too much bad behaviour in late hours due to drunkenness on our street (Station Road) and surrounding streets. Just this past Tuesday evening (or should I say Wednesday early morning) December 23/24, for example, a number of screaming drunk teenagers openly swigging cans of beer (estimated 18-19 years olds) went terrorising down Station Road at around 12:45am and pulled down, dragged and overturned many of the residents garbage bins! This left an unbelievable mess for residents to have to clean up the next morning and several residents missed their garbage collection the following morning as a consequence.

Permitting an extension to the hours for purchase of alcohol on Friday and Saturday will just serve to add fuel to the fire of the problems with late night noise pollution, hooliganism, gangs and general bad behaviour that is currently prevalent. If this establishment and the bars around the High Road want additional hours, let them pay 100% of the salary costs of having two policemen foot patrol Station Road and the High Road from 10pm to 5am on every one of those nights they want the license to serve or sell alcohol late! It should not be permitted for these shops and bars to be allowed to garner all the additional revenue from serving or selling alcohol without paying any of the associated social costs that attend their selfish requests.

Sincerely,

Alano and Amy Regueiro

9 Station Road

Loughton, Essex IG10 4NZ

14 Smarts Lane
Houghton Ex

29 Dec. 08

Dear Sirs

Baylis News 159 High Rd
Supply of alcohol 8 @ 200 hrs
Set

I object strongly to this
extension. At the moment living
near the car park in Smarts Lane
I am always picking up empty
bottles and cans, some broken.
It appears the car park is a
drinking place for people after
they have bought their alcohol,
it appears the drink is cheaper
to buy than the Nu Bar and Minx.

Yours sincerely

A J Thomas Mrs

27/12/08

11 SMARTS CAFE
LUGHTON
ESSEX
1610 4BV

Dear Sirs

Re: BAYLISS NEWSAGENTS, LUGHTON HIGHER RD.

I wish to register my opposition to the proposed extension of the above's licence to sell alcohol.

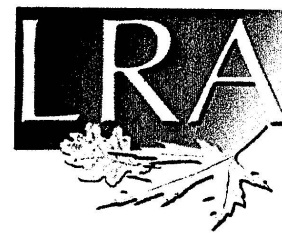
I have no objection to the shop, or generally what it does or sells. I live close by and am a regular customer.

I am concerned that late night off-sales of alcohol will result in more street drinking & anti social behaviour in the locality. We already have youngsters in particular hanging around at the end of Smarts here - I think that the proposal will make matters worse.

If people want to buy drinks for home consumption, they have plenty of time within shop opening hours to do so.

Yours Sincerely
Alban Buden.

Loughton Residents Association



20 Eleven Acre Rise
Loughton
Essex IG10 1AN
28/12/08

Licensing Officer
Epping Forest District Council
Civic Offices
Epping
Essex CM16 4BZ

Dear Sir/Madam
Baylis News, 159 High Road, Loughton

An application has been made for a licence to supply alcohol until 2am on Fridays and Saturdays.

There are residential properties on all the roads which customers would have to use when arriving at or leaving the premises in the early hours of the morning, on foot or in vehicles. (Note that, although Old Station Road is not residential, there are houses on Meadow Road which back onto it.)

The premises are likely to act as a focus for youngsters to gather. There is therefore a considerable likelihood of disturbance, even if those concerned leave without undue noise. Any rowdiness on the part of departing customers would of course have a much worse effect. Furthermore, what is acceptable up to say 11 pm will not be acceptable later in the night.

On the general grounds set out above, and on behalf of these residents, we object to this application, on the grounds of

- the prevention of crime and disorder late at night – you will be aware of past problems
- public safety – residents should be able to come and go without feeling threatened by groups of youngsters and/or rowdyism,
- the prevention of public nuisance from groups of youngsters and/or rowdyism,
- and the protection of children from harm, from noise disturbance late at night (which is obviously disturbing and can affect performance at school the following day)

We urge the Licensing Sub-Committee to reject the application.

We would be happy to support a compromise, such as a licence till midnight (at the very latest).

Yours faithfully



David Linnell, for Loughton Residents Association Plans Group

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