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Dear Mr Hoddinott

**Theydon Bois Playing Field, Old Foresters, off Abridge Road, Theydon Bois CM16 7NN**

I refer to your letter of 08 May 2012, together with application forms, for a Premises Licence for the above site, received by the planning department in our role as a Responsible Authority under the 2003 Licensing Act.

Planning permission is not required for a temporary camp site use of the above site provided: 1) it is not used for more than 28 days, and 2) that any structure associated with the use is a moveable structure.

The period applied for in this Licence application is 23 July 2012 ~ 20 August 2012, i.e. 29 days. Consequently, planning permission is required for this use and the planning authority object to the Licence application. However, if the duration of the campsite proposal is reduced then this objection would be withdrawn.

I would advise you that any surface treatment for provision of a car park must also be 'moveable' – provision of a hard surface would require planning permission.

I would also advise that there are trees covered by a Tree Protection Order on this site, as shown hatched on the attached plan, and these trees, and their roots, cannot be affected by any equipment or works unless a valid consent has been granted.

In conclusion, the planning authority object to this Licence application because planning permission is required given the duration of the proposed use.

Yours sincerely

David Baker  
Planning Officer

cc: **Corporate Support Services, Licensing ~ Epping Forest District Council**



# Theydon Bois Parish Council

Parish Office, The Village Hall, Coppice Row,  
Theydon Bois, Essex CM16 7ER

Clerk to the Council: Mrs Sally Crone  
Responsible Financial Officer: Mr Greville Norman

Ms Kim Tuckey  
Licensing Officer  
Epping Forest District Council  
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31<sup>st</sup> May, 2012

**By email to ktuckey@eppingforestdc.gov.uk and By Post**

Dear Kim

## **Re: Licence Application for Theydon Bois Playing Field – New Premises Licence Application**

This proposal has been discussed by our Council Members who are of the unanimous opinion that the licence is wholly inappropriate and should be refused on the grounds that it adversely impacts **on all four** Licensing Objectives as follows:

- Prevention of crime and disorder
- Public safety.
- Prevention of public nuisance.
- Protection of children from harm.

Accordingly, we wish to make representations in the strongest possible terms. By reference to the above Licensing Objectives, our detailed concerns are as follows:

### **1. Prevention of crime and disorder**

- Relatively remote location in terms of access
- Traffic management issues – High risk of Station Hill/Abridge Road congestion and dangerous access
- Very high risk of anti-social behaviour – potentially very long hours of licence
- Potential issues regarding lack of Police presence due to pressures of Olympics Policing demands
- Lack of security

### **2. Public Safety**

- Proximity of public footpath – danger to users in terms of public safety, obstruction  
Lack of policing/security arrangements

### **3. Prevention of Public Nuisance**

- Previous site history – previous licence was withdrawn due to antisocial behaviour/public nuisance experienced by residents.

- Relatively remote location in terms of accessibility yet potential for high degree of nuisance to residents of Forest Drive, Slade End, Station Approach etc in terms of noise, lighting, pollution.
- Traffic management issues

#### 4. Protection of Children from Harm

- School holidays – risk of young children 'exploring' and accessing alcohol/other physical risks of harm from unregulated and unlawful activities.

In addition to the above our overriding objection is that there is a complete **lack of need**. There are already two Public Houses (The Bull in Station Approach and The Queen Victoria in Coppice Row) within easy walking distance of the site which provide alcohol on licensed premises in a controlled environment. There is a third Public House (The Sixteen String Jack in Coppice Row) which is situated in walking distance within half a mile of the site. Accordingly, we see absolutely no need for this further facility in this location.

We understand that the applicants failed to comply with the requirements for proper publication of the original Notice of Application and thus the timeframe for receipt of letters of objection has now been extended – please however confirm.

Please acknowledge receipt.

Regards,

Yours sincerely,

  
Sally Crone  
Parish Clerk



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6<sup>th</sup> June, 2012

**By email to [ktuckey@eppingforestdc.gov.uk](mailto:ktuckey@eppingforestdc.gov.uk) and By Post**

Dear Kim

**Re: Licence Application for Theydon Bois Playing Field – New Premises Licence Application**

I write further to our letter of 31<sup>st</sup> May as we would like to make a further point in support of our argument of **lack of need** of this additional licensing facility in Theydon Bois. There is a Tesco Store situated in Coppice Row i.e. within easy walking distance of the site. This store is licensed and is open from 0600 until 2300 hours seven days a week (details attached). This is in addition to the three Public Houses mentioned in our previous letter.

Please acknowledge receipt.

Regards,

Yours sincerely,

Sally Crone  
Parish Clerk

23/5/12



Forest Drive  
Theydon Bois  
Epping

World Cancer Research Fund (WCRF UK)  
www.wcrf-uk.org/team

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Dear Sir,  
re Old Foresters ground,  
Stabon Hill, T. Bois.

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I understand that a planning application for a liquor licence is to be made for the temporary period of the Olympics. Whilst a temporary campsite might be permissible (a separate issue), there would seem to be no need for an "off-licence" for the sale of alcohol. In Theydon Bois we already have three public houses, several restaurants selling alcohol and Tesco's Express with a wide selection of such drinks. A further source of supply would seem superfluous and contrary to the Government's wish to control the consumption of alcohol.

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and "binge drinking"

The potential for considerable disruption and disturbance to long-term ratepayers is obvious. Refusal is the option of choice.

Yours faithfully,

[Redacted signature]

MR. J. REDFERN

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Licensing Office  
Epping Forest District Council  
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Dr J & Mrs S C Warren  
Woodland Way  
Theydon Bois  
Essex

19th June 2012

**Application for a New Premises Off Licence  
for the sale of alcohol for the period  
23rd July 2012 until 20th August 2012 when occupied by campers  
during the period of the Olympic Games.  
Old Foresters site, Abridge Road, Theydon Bois.**

Dear Sir/Madam

We wish to object most strongly to the application for an alcohol licence for the proposed mini market on the Old Foresters site which is planned for the proposed Olympic Campsite.

There is no need for the sale of alcohol on the site. Theydon Bois village has a Tesco store and 3 pubs. If alcohol is purchased from Tesco, there is a limit which could be carried back to the campsite, unlike the readily available supply from 0800 until 2200, which would be the case with the mini market. Drinking in the local pubs is regulated by their opening hours and the landlord, who has the discretion of whether or not to serve a customer, if he feels they are the worse for drink. The proposed alcohol licence for the campsite mini market would take away both the regulation of alcohol consumed and the benefits of money being spent in local businesses during this Olympic period. We understand that no other campsite in the district has an alcohol licence.

Residents of Forest Drive and Slade End back onto the site and approach road and a public footpath (no 4) runs through the site to open fields. There is a high potential for noise and behaviour nuisance which would very likely result from the consumption of excessive amounts of alcohol which would be so readily available and this would be to the detriment of residents and walkers.

Although advertised on their website as a "family run business" and "The perfect family campsite for 2012 in London", we have been informed that the main occupiers of the campsite will be security staff for the Olympics. This would appear to be the case as some of the security trainees for the Jubilee weekend, whose unfortunate experiences were reported in the national press and news channels, eventually came out by tube to camp on the Old Foresters site. A charity for unemployed young people worked with a security company to provide the Jubilee security cover, as a training exercise, with the prospect of paid security work during the Olympics. It is likely that, for the main part, the occupiers of the campsite will not be families, but single people with a 'few bob in their pockets' who are more likely to take advantage of a ready supply of alcohol and there is a distinct likelihood of noise and behaviour nuisance and a very real risk to the public safety of those walking the public footpath. There would be a particular risk to children, who use and enjoy the footpath during the summer holidays.

We also believe that there would be a real risk of alcohol fuelled crime and disorder. This is not just a weekend event but would continue for a month and it is likely that the peace and security of Theydon Bois residents would be severely compromised.

In any case, the operation of the campsite is now dependent on whether planning permission is formally applied for and granted, in view of the premature occupation of the site over the Jubilee weekend. The arrival of more campers during the past week means that the 28 days, allowed without requiring planning permission, will expire long before the proposed 'start date' of 23rd July, as formally stated in the New Premises Off Licence application.

In view of the above, we believe that all four of the main licensing objectives:

\* The prevention of Crime and Disorder

\* Public safety

\* The prevention of public nuisance

\* The protection of children from harm

would not be complied with and we urge you to refuse this application for an alcohol licence.

Yours sincerely

Dr J & Mrs S C Warren

cc Theydon Bois Parish Council  
District Councillor Sue Jones  
District Councillor John Philip



Slade End  
Theydon Bois  
Epping, Essex

23/5/2012

Dear Mrs Clark,  
Proposed Olympic  
Campsite - Old Foresters

As a resident of Slade End,  
I am writing to object to  
the licence being granted  
by the council for the above  
campsite during 23 July - 20 Aug  
2012.

Although this campsite is  
temporary, it will set a  
precedent for the future.  
This is green belt land

and of serious concern to us as this land is adjacent to our properties in Slade End, as well as the other Thaxton residents.

My concerns are unregulation, i.e. noise, lighting, traffic and of course the granting of a Premises Off Licence.

There are many elderly people, including myself, living in this village whose quiet lifestyle will be completely disrupted by this unregulated site.

Finally, this whole matter has only recently been notified to Thaxton residents and as the Olympics is only a few weeks away there has

not been enough time for  
adequate consultation.

Yours faithfully

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~  
MRS. V. EARLY

**Nuala Clark**

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 22 May 2012 10:57  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Olympic campsite Theydon Bois

Dear Mrs. Clark,  
I strongly object to the granting of an Alcohol License at the Olympic Campsite at the Old Foresters Ground in Theydon Bois.

My reasons are,

1. Alcohol fuelled noise nuisance in the close vicinity of my property, and the village as a whole.
2. Alcohol being sold in the close vicinity of Public footpaths being frequented by minors.
3. Noise associated with deliveries to and from the place retailing the alcohol.
4. Effects on local businesses who sell alcohol in the village of Theydon Bois( at least 5 establishment paying rates to EFDC.

David Jones,

[REDACTED] Forest Drive Theydon Bois [REDACTED]

## Nuala Clark

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**From:** John Jones [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 20 May 2012 23:24  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Application for Premises Off Licence at proposed Theydon Bois campsite

As a resident of Theydon Bois I would like to register my objections to the application to obtain a Premises Off Licence for the proposed campsite at the Old Foresters Ground by Martin Henry Beckett of Loughton. I do not feel it would be in the best interests of the community of Theydon Bois for a licence to sell alcohol to be issued.

The following reasons support my objection:

- The sale of alcohol on the site would cause a noise disturbance for the houses in close proximity to the site. As tents do not absorb sound, noise will be freely transmitted to our quiet village.
- Noise disturbance from operation of and deliveries to the mini market;
- Noise disturbance from alcohol fuelled celebrations as nationals gain Olympic honours.
- Potential for increased noise disturbance from alcohol fuelled revelry from 08:00 to 22:00 and later;
- Infringement of the Theydon Bois Dark Sky Policy from store frontage and interior lighting.
- Obstruction of and intrusion into the peace and quiet of the public right of way (Footpath 4); and
- Concerns over the safety of walkers along the footpath in connection with possibility for the consumption of alcohol in a public place (public right of way) or proximity to it.

There is ample provision in Theydon Bois for the consumption of alcohol in established well managed premises. There is no need to supply a tented community with the facility to disturb the quality of life and local amenity of residents.

John Jones

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## Nuala Clark

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**From:** Robert Levene [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** 22 May 2012 21:11  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** FW: Old Foresters Theydon Bois Campsite Application for Liquor Licence

Dear Sirs

I am concern the proposed campsite will:

- Noise disturbance for the houses in close proximity to the site from outside activities connected with arrival, setting up and daily comings and goings of vehicles and pedestrians together with any music that campers make at the site;
- Noise disturbance from operation of and deliveries to the mini market;
- Noise disturbance from operation of communal buildings (TV room, showers etc);
- Noise disturbance from service vehicles (daily waste removal, refuse collection, port-a-loo emptying tankers, site management and 24 hour security etc)
- Potential for increased noise disturbance from alcohol fuelled revelry from 08:00 to 22:00 and later;
- Infringement of the Theydon Bois Dark Sky Policy from floodlighting, car headlights etc.;
- Problems with traffic issues at the junction of Station Hill and Abridge Road;
- Obstruction of and intrusion into the peace and quiet of the public right of way (Footpath 4); and
- Concerns over the safety of walkers along the footpath in connection with possibility for the consumption of alcohol in a public place (public right of way) or proximity to it.

When there was a planning application one of the benefits suggested I recall was to bring business to the village. This application seems to contradict that.

The Councillors need to be made fully aware of the history of the site and REPEATED failures by this site to comply with enforcement orders from other sections of the council, resulting in vast costs for the community.

Many thanks

Robert Levene  
[REDACTED] Theydon Park Road  
Theydon Bois  
[REDACTED]

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**Nuala Clark**

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**From:** Nessa Hart [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 21 May 2012 17:36  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Old Foresters Campsite Application for Liquor Licence

Dear Sir or Madam

Please accept this email as our appeal against the application for a liquor licence for the Old Foresters Campsite.

1. The consumption of alcohol in such a public open place does not seem in keeping with green belt land and would set a precedent for future liquor licence applications
2. The site was never intended to accommodate the number of people who are likely to be looking for cheap accommodation during the Olympics
3. The road to the site is not suitable for the amount of heavy traffic that would be generated not only by those seeking accommodation but, the endless services that will be required to supply a campsite.
4. Theydon Bois Dark Sky Policy does not even allow lights for outside tennis courts. If lights are allowed for the campsite this sets a precedent for lights though out the village

Is the application for a Liquor Licence allowed to be made without the applicant providing full details of the number of people they intend to accommodate on the site? Please confirm that the number of people, the lavatories, wash facilities, parking spaces, water supply, general water drainage, sewage arrangements etc are required before EFDC can even look at the Liquor Licence application.

Yours faithfully

Nessa Hart & Adrian Hart

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**Nuala Clark**

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**From:** HOOKER CC [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 29 May 2012 20:54  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Temporary License application on the Old Foresters site, Theydon Bois 23 July to 20 August 2012

As a resident of Theydon Bois and within a short distance of the above site I wish to register my strong opposition to the issue of the applied for license for the following reasons:-

- there is a serious danger of excessive noise from the site particularly in the evening until late.
- there is a real possibility of unpleasant disturbances breaking out among the campers fuelled by alcohol/patch disputes
- the site will be a potential target for undesirable visitors not actually camping on the site themselves
- the certain rubbish that will ensue will attract vermin which could well filter into the local neighbourhood
- the granting of a license sets a dangerous precedent for the granting of similar applications in the future

Finally what checks have been made on the experience and qualifications of the applicants to manage such an event and are they considered worthy

Colin Hooker  
Elizabeth Drive  
Theydon Bois



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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Forest Drive  
Theydon Bois  
Essex  
[REDACTED]

30 May 2012

Dear Mrs Clark

Re: Licence to permit the sale of alcohol from 23 July - 20 August 2012  
Temporary use of land as a campsite

I was horrified by the news that the land at the back of Forest Drive and Slade End will be used as a temporary camping site. I am totally against this and equally against the selling of alcohol during this period.

I'm particularly concerned about the levels of noise this could generate i.e. traffic and music and any disturbance from drunken revellers.

I hope this is not allowed to happen as I'm worried about the future of Theydon Bois as a peaceful, calm village.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]

Connie Garrett - Resident

## Nuala Clark

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**From:** gmb dawidek [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 06 June 2012 08:55  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Old Forester's Site

I wish to object to the granting of a liquor licence to the above site during the Olympic Games.

There are already three PHs and two off-licences in Theydon Bois. Surely 5 outlets for alcohol must be sufficient?

The granting of a sixth licence will lead to further noise litter anti-social behaviour in a rural and residential area as well as further congestion.

In any case the Olympics are allegedly about healthy sporting activities and not alcohol consumption which is decidedly unhealthy.

GMB Dawidek [REDACTED] Hill Road TB

**Nuala Clark**

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**From:** Simon [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 21 May 2012 08:51  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Proposed Olympic camp site, old foresters site, Theydon bois

Dear Sirs

We wish to express our concern and objection to the proposed unregulated camp site and especially the sale of alcohol on the site. This development is inappropriate for green belt land and its location being adjacent to residential areas. We list below a number of further issues we wish you to consider:

- Noise disturbance for the houses in close proximity to the site from outside activities connected with arrival, setting up and daily comings and goings of vehicles and pedestrians together with any music that campers make at the site;
- Noise disturbance from operation of and deliveries to the mini market;
- Noise disturbance from operation of communal buildings (TV room, showers etc);
- Noise disturbance from service vehicles (daily waste removal, refuse collection, port-a-loo emptying tankers, site management and 24 hour security etc)
- Potential for increased noise disturbance from alcohol fuelled revelry from 08:00 to 22:00 and later;
- Infringement of the Theydon Bois Dark Sky Policy from floodlighting, car headlights etc.;
- Problems with traffic issues at the junction of Station Hill and Abridge Road;
- Obstruction of and intrusion into the peace and quiet of the public right of way (Footpath 4); and
- Concerns over the safety of walkers along the footpath in connection with possibility for the consumption of alcohol in a public place (public right of way) or proximity to it.

Regards

Simon Wallace

Sent from my iPhone

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**Nuala Clark**

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**From:** Jean [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 01 June 2012 21:42  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Theydon Bois Olympic Camp Site

We strongly appose a license being issued to this camp site.

We live in a very quiet residential area which is respected by the residence. Children are allowed the freedom of visiting the park and sweet shop without parental supervision.

The proposed Olympic Park camp site will completely change this. Alcohol will fuel the occupants of the site to rowdy behaviour in the streets, excessive noise brought about by loud music, drug abuse will lead to muggings and burglars during the hours of darkness.

Traffic will be an enormous problem and we can foresee more fatalities on the main road by Tesco's. Will the area get additional policing?

This particular site has had many problems in the past and can we have an assurance that the site would be cleared and we would not have a St Paul's style problem.

**Nuala Clark**

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**From:** Stephen Rochester <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 03 June 2012 22:44  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Premises Off License application for the Old Foresters site in Theydon Bois

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing in regard to the application for a 'Premises Off License' for the Old Foresters Site's proposed Olympic Campsite in Theydon Bois on the opposite side of the underground line from Forest Drive (where I reside) and Slade End.

As you will know, the owners of this site are planning to operate a campsite throughout the Olympics (23rd July to 20th August) and are now applying for a license to permit the sale of alcohol between the hours of 08:00 to 22:00 daily.

I am writing to you as I think this application is unnecessary for such a campsite especially given the resources already available locally within the village.

Here are some reasons as to why I think this license application should be refused:

- a campsite which is primarily to offer accomodation throughout the Olympic Games for workers, spectstors & fans etc, I would say to sell alcohol on-site is wholly unnecessary as there shouldn't be anyone lingering about on the campsite throughout the day and if anyone did want to buy any alcohol they should use the facilities in the village (valuable local investment rather than blatent profit-making from the site owners) as there are several pubs and shops that sell such products. Alcohol provision shouldn't be a focus of the site, it should be something that some campers might occasionally want and at those times it is a short walk into the village to get a drink.

- If alcohol is so readily available on-site then I feel that there will be noise-pollution issues due to drinking late into the evenings due to the proximity of the houses in Slade End and Forest Drive.....quite simply the on-site provision of alcohol is only ever going to have negative consequences and is unnecessary for such a site.

- Noise disturbance in the village due to the operational proceeedures required to run such a facility (deliveries, refuse collection etc)

- Theydon Bois has a dark skies policy and unless the owners plan to sell alcohol in the dark, they will contravene this.

- There is a public footpath alongside the site and I think people will feel considerably less safe walking along here with campers consuming alcohol nearby.

- Overall, even though I am not happy about the provision of this campsite so close to my house, I feel that if there is a one-off temporary campsite for this period, the intent should be there to support the local community through revenues spent in local businesses etc and granting of such a license as this can only have negative consequences for the village.

Kind Regards,

Stephen.

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Mr & Mrs S Gordon  
Forest Drive  
Theydon Bois  
Essex

Attention Mrs Clark – Licensing Officer - EFDC

Dear Mrs Clark,

We write to express our grave concern and strong objection to the following propositions which will, we believe, have a very negative impact on the Theydon Bois area and community:

- 1) the proposed Old Foresters Olympic Campsite
- 2) the Premises Off Licence application

The above applications were brought to our attention only recently by the Theydon Bois Action Group and we were very shocked to learn of the above plans.

In essence, our concerns include but are not limited to the following:

- Noise disturbance (vehicular /commercial and social activity in and around the campsite area)
- Potential for disturbance of the peace (much treasured) by revellers / drunk or otherwise
- Traffic congestion at major junctions (specifically for example at Station Hill /Abridge Rd)
- Potential for the increase of petty crime (alcohol fuelled or otherwise)
- The impingement on local residents to be able to navigate daily tasks efficiently due to the sheer volume of people using the local infrastructure
- Infringement of the Theydon Bois dark sky policy

As mentioned, these are a small example of the concerns we have and we would be happy to discuss these with you directly and more fully should you be so inclined.

In summary, we are fearful that the peaceful existence we value and enjoy (and indeed pay dearly to avail ourselves of) in our village community will be severely negatively impacted. As such, we entreat you to ideally reject both items 1) and 2) above, failing which we feel incredibly strongly that item 2 (the Off Licence Premises) should be rejected without further debate and trust you / the licencing authority at Epping Forest DC will do the right thing in this regard.

Yours sincerely

Mr and Mrs S Gordon

## Nuala Clark

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**From:** Terry Mellis [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 01 June 2012 15:06  
**To:** Nuala Clark  
**Subject:** Temporary License Olf Foresters site Theydon Bois

I am very concerned re the above application and as long time resident of Theydon I would like to register my strong opposition.

I consider that the granting of the license sets a dangerous precedent for similar applications.

Rubbish will attract vermin which could affect the local area.

Noise from the site would be most unwelcomed mainly in the evening possibly fueled by alcohol

The site would be attractive to undesirable visitors who may not wish to move on.

Are the applicants capable of managing the site and event?

Terry Mellis  
Heath Drive  
Theydon Bois

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## Nuala Clark

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**From:** tony ellam <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 01 June 2012 13:58  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** FAO Mrs Clarke - Theydon Bois Olympic Camping Alcohol Licence Application

Dear Mrs Clarke,

Re Old Foresters Temporary Olympic Campsite Alcohol Licence Application

As a resident living in close proximity to the Old Foresters site I am writing to express objection to the application for a licence to sell alcohol at the campsite minimarket.

The proposed hours of opening, quoted as 0800 to 2200, are extensive and could well lead to noise nuisance and antisocial behaviour on the site and in the environs.

There would also be additional traffic carrying stock to the site.

I believe the purchase of alcohol is adequately catered for by the existing facilities in the village and would ask that the campsite's application be rejected.

Best Regards,

Tony Ellam,  
[REDACTED] Forest Drive,  
Theydon Bois,  
[REDACTED]



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## Nuala Clark

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**From:** Kathy [REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 13 June 2012 09:54  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Old Foresters: Olympic campsite alcohol licence

I am writing to object in the strongest possible terms to the application for an alcohol licence (from 23 July to 20 August 2012) at the above location and urge the Council to reject it, and any similar attempts by these unscrupulous developers.

Granting of such a licence could well lead to an increase in crime in our beautiful village and with so many extra visitors, with potential access to virtually unlimited alcohol, the possibility of major disruption, serious public nuisance and increased noise and disorder must be a serious possibility. I am also concerned that as there is a public footpath across the site, there could well be issues with public safety and the protection of children, especially as it is in the school summer holidays when children, and indeed adults, are more likely to use the footpath.

I trust the Council will reject this application.

Kathy Mulligan

**Nuala Clark**

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**From:** Mary Vine [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 13 June 2012 22:04  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** FAO: Licensing Officer

I write to express concern about the application for an alcohol license for the proposed Olympics Campsite in Theydon Bois

I believe there are reasons to oppose the alcohol application on the following considerations: (1) the prevention of crime and disorder; (2) public safety; (3) the prevention of public nuisance; and (4) the protection of children from harm.

We live directly opposite the campsite and think the proposal could cause serious public nuisance, with increased noise, disorder and potentially public safety/crime.

The site is easily accessible and there is also a public footpath across the site and there could well be issues with public safety and the protection of children, especially as the period is in the school summer holidays when children are more likely to be around.

There are three public houses in Theydon Bois; all easily accessible and all would be grateful, no doubt, for any potential increase in trade

I strongly suggest you reject this application for an alcohol license

Mary Vine-Morris & Martin Morris

[REDACTED] Forest Drive

Theydon Bois

Essex  
[REDACTED]

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**Nuala Clark**

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**From:** L WILLIAMS [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 14 June 2012 07:12  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Fw: Old Foresters: Breaking News and 21 June Deadline

----- Forwarded Message -----

**From:** "Williams, Len" [REDACTED]  
**To:** 'L WILLIAMS' [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 13 June 2012, 12:28  
**Subject:** FW: Old Foresters: Breaking News and 21 June Deadline

Dear Sir,

We would like to object to the application for an alcohol licence on the Old Foresters Site, Theydon Bois. This site is regarded locally as a sham campsite with 2 new portacabins, 3 wheeled cabins and two caravans remaining in addition to the original unlawful portacabins. The owners disregard for legally imposed restrictions indicate that they would adopt the same attitude towards an alcohol licence leading to crime and disorder; a danger to public safety; a public nuisance; and exposing children to harm. It is easy to see how the ready access to alcohol could be the catalyst to a serious public nuisance, with increased noise, disorder and potentially public safety/crime. As we have a public footpath across the site, there could well be issues with public safety and the protection of children, especially as the period is in the school summer holidays when folk might enjoy a walk. We are not just talking about a weekend festival; this is proposed to continue for a month.

Yours Len & Lynne Williams

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**Nuala Clark**

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**From:** LESLEY HEALEY <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 18 June 2012 12:04  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Old Foresters alcohol licence application

Dear Sir/Madam,

My husband and I would like to object strongly to the application for an alcohol licence on the Old Foresters, Theydon Bois, site for the period 23rd July to 20th August 2012.

We are very concerned about the potential noise nuisance over this four week period which may well be exacerbated by the easy purchase of alcohol on-site.

We fear for the safety of local children who will be on school holidays and may want to play in the area and use the public footpath. Indeed, we would have serious reservations about the safety of using the public footpath ourselves during this period.

We also find it difficult to understand the need for campers to have such extended hours to purchase their alcohol.


As a consequence, we are fearful of public order and crime problems developing in our village.

We would be grateful if you would kindly consider our views when you make your decision.

Yours faithfully,

Lesley and Robert Healey

 Dukes Avenue,

Theydon Bois,  


## Nuala Clark

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**From:** Diane Gillespie <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 21 June 2012 00:09  
**To:** Licensing  
**Subject:** Licence to sell alcohol at Old Foresters

Dear Sir or Madam

We object in the strongest terms to this application. We have already witnessed young men from this site the worse for wear from drink vomiting on the footbridge which connects the site to the village, while they were returning to the site from their alcohol shopping trip to Tesco (which was obvious from their bags). Having ready access to alcohol will only encourage this kind of behaviour and worse. The levels of noise nuisance which would inevitably occur, would disturb residents in Slade End and the quiet enjoyment of the countryside for users of the footpath which crosses this site. We feel this is a direct example of a public nuisance. Campers will not have to leave the site to get into this condition, and could fill up on cut price beers then come wandering into the village. We have also witnessed young men flaked out on the ground along footpath 4 which crosses this site. As we had children with us we were obliged to double back and not continue our walk as we did not wish to challenge them. This constituted an erosion of public safety. We are very concerned about this footpath as it is well used and especially in the summer holidays when children frequently use it.

To summarise our reasons for objecting:

- \* The prevention of Crime and Disorder
- \* Public safety
- \* The prevention of public nuisance
- \* The protection of children from harm

Finally, we would remind EFDC that there is at present no permitted use of this land for commercial purposes; not a campsite or a mini market selling alcohol. It is unlikely, given the history of the site, that any application for a campsite will be successful. Therefore this application should be dismissed as being frivolous.

Yours faithfully

Mr & Mrs Gillespie

**Nuala Clark**

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 21 June 2012 00:23  
**To:** Licensing  
**Cc:** committee@theydonbois-actiongroup.co.uk  
**Subject:** Alcohol Licence, Old Foresters

**Application for a New Premises Off Licence  
for the sale of alcohol for the period  
23rd July 2012 until 20th August 2012 when occupied by campers  
during the period of the Olympic Games.  
Old Foresters site, Abridge Road, Theydon Bois.**

Theydon Bois Action Group strongly objects to this application as it believes the sale of alcohol on this site, will contribute to crime and disorder; will put the public at risk; will cause a public nuisance and will place innocent children at risk of harm. Our members have already reported incidents which support each of these reasons and we are very concerned that further negative impact on the village will be felt should this licence be granted. We would urge EFDC to dismiss this application.

With thanks,

Theydon Bois Action Group  
Protecting the Village of Theydon Bois  
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