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To: Licensing
Subject: Comments for Licensing Application 13/01611/LAPRE

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 10:56 AM on 31 Oct 2013 from Mr Andrew Burton.

Application Summary

Address: The Old Post Office 13 High Street Sevenoaks Kent TN13 1HZ
Proposal: Premises Licence
Case Officer: Leeann Leeds
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Customer Details

Name: Mr Andrew Burton
Email: [REDACTED]
Address: Sevenoaks School, High Street, Sevenoaks TH13 1HU

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour
Stance: Customer objects to the Licensing Application
Reasons for comment:
- Noise Disturbance
- Protection of Children from Harm
Comments: 10:56 AM on 31 Oct 2013 I am writing on behalf of Sevenoaks School. The shop at The Old Post Office is well supported by staff and pupils from Sevenoaks School. Whilst we understand the difficult economic circumstances for small businesses, no attempt was made to discuss this matter with the School before the application for a licence was submitted. We consider that the creation of an off-licence immediately opposite the School would be detrimental to our pupils, some of whom are as young as 11. The application falls foul of the licensing objective of protecting children from harm. Moreover, we have already experienced cases of adults using the School as a short cut and confronting pupils when in an inebriated state. The availability of alcohol adjacent to the School would be likely to increase this risk. Additionally, we have a number of units of staff accommodation in the vicinity of the The Old Post Office and fear that the sale of alcohol for extended hours would lead to increased noise disturbance. All told, the granting of this licence would enhance the risk of public nuisance contrary to the licensing objectives.