



Mill Hill  
Edenbridge  
Kent

13<sup>th</sup> February 2012

Licensing Partnership  
PO Box 182  
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**Re: 12/00405/LAPRE**

To Whom it may concern:-

**Application by Petrocell Holdings Ltd. to sell Alcohol at the BP Petrol Station, Mill Hill,  
Edenbridge**

I write to register my objection to the above application. Many young people on foot visit the BP Garage to purchase food and drink. Many of these people are under the permitted age for the purchase of alcohol; many appear to be older but are not and it would be difficult for any retailer to determine their correct age.

This Petrol Station at Mill Hill is situated close to Blossoms Park. Many of these young people gather in the Park in groups to talk and have fun. There is no supervision. I already find these groups intimidating and the thought of the addition of alcohol to the situation is very frightening and disturbing. Often I have litter thrown in my garden by people leaving the garage and youths come in from the park and urinate in my drive because the garage will not allow the youths to use their toilet. How much worse would this be if they are drinking more beer?

I hope you will turn down this application.

Yours sincerely

Miss E R Woolger

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Dear Sir/Madam

**Application by Petrocell Holdings Ltd. to sell Alcohol at the BP Petrol Station, Mill Hill, Edenbridge**

We write to register our objection to the above application. The Petrol Station at Mill Hill is situated almost opposite to Blossoms Park on the outskirts of Edenbridge. The park is not supervised. Many young people visit the park mainly to play on the skate board ramps, to play cricket in the nets and to relax around the park. There are also groups of young people, mainly male, who come simply to gather and drink. When we walk around the park each morning with our dog we frequently find many discarded empty beer cans and alcohol bottles. Currently many of the young people frequent the garage and buy soft drinks, sweets, ice creams etc. To provide an easily accessible supply of alcohol for these young people would, in our opinion, be very irresponsible. The temptation to drink would be greater and not easily resisted by those under peer pressure. We have numerous problems, both health and social, in our society and this is reflected in Edenbridge. There have been incidents of vandalism in the park and to properties close by and with the added fuel provided by alcohol these, we are sure, would increase. The park can only be accessed on foot by crossing the busy B2026 and any one under the influence of alcohol would be at greater risk of injury.

For the over-age drinker Edenbridge already has seven Public houses and two Off Licences along with two Supermarkets selling alcohol and one Garage. All of these are located in more built up areas of the town where supervision is more likely.

On a more general point, the selling of alcohol by a garage, although we accept an established practice, seems to be at odds with any common sense regarding road safety and driving with excess alcohol.

The responsibility of approving applications for the sale of alcohol was passed by the government from the Magistrates Court to the Local Authority in the belief that the interests of the local electorate would be more accurately reflected. We would hope that this will be so in this matter and that the application will not be granted.

Yours sincerely

  
Mr & Mrs N H Woolger

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Dear Sirs, Re: Application for an  
Alcohol license.

I would like to register my objection  
to the above proposed by Petrocell at  
Mill Hill Garage, Edeubridge.

The site of the above is opposite  
Blossoms Park which has a skate park.  
There is a real danger to young children  
because of broken glass etc. There  
is an ongoing problem with lettering at  
the site, at present mainly from plastic  
bottles being thrown around.

I feel that alcohol, teenagers and  
a skate park is not a good mix.

The garage is situated on the busy B2026,  
so I believe this will be an accident  
waiting to happen.

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I trust my views will be taken into  
consideration, when you decide on this  
application

Yours faithfully

[Redacted signature]