

## APPENDIX 14

I am writing on behalf of myself and my partner, Susan Wood who reside at



This letter is regarding an application for extension of operating hours for Ephesus Restaurant.

Over the years that this restaurant has been in business they have proven over and over to be terrible neighbours who simply do not care about the residents of the neighbourhood they do business in.

They are a restaurant yet they want to be a nightclub. No restaurant needs to be open until 2am on weekends. They attract a very rowdy clientele and on nights when they are open late the music is extremely loud and there is regular disruptive behaviour on the streets around the venue.

There is no parking in the area, however patrons regularly park on Rockdale Road which is double yellow. Their customers often come out of the business drunk, singing, yelling, sometimes fighting. Their anti social behaviour has in the past included urinating on residents porches and running up and down the road screaming.

This is a quiet friendly neighbourhood adjacent to Rockdale Housing Association. There is simply no reason why any family friendly restaurant needs to be open such late hours. The other two restaurants in the area, Branded and Sun Do are excellent neighbours, never causing any sort of a problem and they close at acceptable times. This is what we expect from Ephesus.

The rear of this restaurant (where the loud music is played) is not well built and when the windows are open the music is so unbearable that several residents in the area, including myself have had to call the police. Plus, this establishment does not have a good history of closing at the time indicated on their licensing agreement. They regularly close at least 90 minutes late. I believe that they recently had their alcohol license suspended because of their chronic ignoring their closing times.

This establishment has been a nuisance from the beginning and there are no signs of it improving.

As long time Sevenoaks residents we strongly would like this current application to be denied.

Sincerely,  
Thomas Gold  
Susan Wood