

Representation List 3

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, August 2, 2024 11:03 AM
To: Licensing <licensing@haringey.gov.uk>
Subject: Representation concerning the application for a premises alcohol license - Unit 1 - Lock 17, N17 9LX

To whom it may concern,

My name is [REDACTED], resident in Navigation Point, 2 Hale Wharf Ferry Lane, N17 9LX in the Haringey borough. I'm reaching out to you regarding the notice of application for a premise license in our building for Lock 17, Unit 1 (supplying alcohol Monday to Sunday 06:00-23:00).

On behalf of my family (including a child) I would like to express my concern with respect to this application and kindly ask you to reject the request for Unit 1 alcohol license. The main reasons for my concerns are as follows:

1. ****Prevention of crime and disorder**** - Approving the request would only add to an already concerning crime rate in our area. A significant number of crimes (including many thefts in our building) are happening each year and more and more police reports are being issued with respect to non-residents spending time outside our premises. Approving this request will increase the number of people looking to buy alcohol and endanger our premises furthermore. Moreover, I believe approving this license would entitle Unit 1 to access our community bin (I believe it's 4 bins according to the current consultation documents). This is often already overflowed (especially the recycling bins) so approving this license (especially for alcohol which is known to source many carton boxes) would only add to an already existing disorder in our community refuse).
2. ****Protection of children from harm****: There is a significant amount of children being born in recent years in our premise (proved by the 300+ queues in our already-too-few-nurseries waiting times). Selling alcohol downstairs is not an encouraging sign for our future, nor does it help any of the existing parents. The space could be used perhaps for something more family-orientated. There are nearby stores at Tesco, Asda already where alcohol can be purchased so I don't see how this is useful in our building. Furthermore, I would like to bring to your attention that it happened more than once that we caught strangers and non-residents in our building doing suspicious activity (e.g. a few weeks back some teenagers were "recording themselves in front of our mirrors" which in fact seemed to be a cover up for stealing our delivery boxes that often lie in front of the elevator, by the community refuse bin door. We confronted them and they were quite aggressive. I can only imagine how worse things could get if there's also alcohol involved).
3. ****Prevention of public nuisance****: Our premise and nearby spaces, including nearby benches and the Paddock park, is often filled with drunk people smoking marijuana and spending their night there. As parents we are often afraid to venture into the Paddock area to walk our child as there is always some suspicious activity or people laying around there or sleeping on the benches. Adding an alcohol license to this premise will only increase the numbers of those spending the time there, effectively making our space even more unpleasant.

Same goes for our public benches and nearby bridge across the Lock17. After 10pm it's often filled with non-residents that are making noise and taking the place over. Approving this license would only make things worse for us as residents.

With the increasing number of establishments and new housing about to be released (e.g. Lock17 200+ homes to be released soon) in the near future, adding more alcohol consumption premises is not something I look forward to. We are short of community services, nurseries, GP practices and overall there are long waiting queues for our nurseries. I am confident that our council authority could source this space to a better and more suited role to serve our community, than an alcohol-selling-license.

While we cannot agree with the licensing premise as requested, we are open to exploring other avenues that might align better with the current resources and priorities.

I am happy to discuss this further if you have any questions or would like to make further enquiries. Please feel free to reach out at your convenience.

Thank you again for your understanding and cooperation. I look forward to finding a mutually beneficial solution in the future.

Best regards,

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-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Friday, August 2, 2024 3:06 PM

To: Licensing <licensing@haringey.gov.uk>

Subject: Lock17 unit 1 new commercial unit licence

Hello Team,

I am a resident of the building and I have seen they attached the licence notice saying that they will sell alcohol in the shop from 6am till 11pm every day of the week.

As we are already very much concerned with the security level of the area, as many homeless and drunken people are always gathering especially in the small park nearby and in front of Tesco express and Asda, considering also that I read that for security reasons it can be reduced the time of selling alcoholic drinks, it could be possible to ask the shop owner to reduce the window and only sell from 10am to 10pm?

Our building is a residential one, with lots of professional families and kids, and we are very worried about the incredible numbers of anti social behaviour we are facing.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]