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Alison Riches
Planning Case Officer
Kettering Borough Council
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Bowling Green Road
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30th July 2015

Dear Ms Riches

Re: KET/2015/0478

Planning application by Charles Wells for the Tollemache Arms

I live in the house adjoining the pub. I am not at all knowledgeable about planning procedure and totally misunderstood the full import of the notification of planning application that I received from the Borough Council. In fact, it was only when I happened - by chance - to be given a copy of the application for a premises licence variation by Charles Wells for the pub that I began to grasp the changes being considered.

Yesterday I was assured by your colleague that a decision on this application would not be reached until next month ... and that an objection from me would still be considered before you reached a decision. I am objecting most strenuously. We love our home and the changes requested by Charles Wells will badly affect our enjoyment in living there.

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The issues raised in my objection to the premises licence variation application apply equally to this application, and I have therefore attached a copy of my objection to that application for your reference. As I am still not quite secure in my understanding of the process, it would add greatly to my sense of security if you would consider both letters as one response. As one example, the drawing of proposed changes in the application above show the relocation of the bar, an issue seemingly raised only in the licence variation application. Where and when should I respond to that? I have done so in my attached response to the licence variation. Equally, I have addressed my concerns regarding increased noise from the enlarged decking in that response, etc., etc.

In brief, the current situation is disruptive enough, seriously intruding in our lives. Any additional, uncontrolled increase in the business "use" of the premises by the pub ... and/or any additional "activity", both inside and out, close to our property ... would completely undermine the choice I made to live in Harrington.

Please confirm receipt of both my letters. I do very much appreciate your accepting my comments.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

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Tessa Helfet

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CC: Licensing Department
Lisa Vaughan, Environmental Health



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Dear Sirs

Re Notice of application for a Premises Licence Variation by Charles Wells Ltd
on behalf of the Tollemache Arms, Harrington

Our home adjoins the pub and we are affected, therefore, by any changes in the way in which the Tollemache Arms "does" business. This time, I have serious concerns and am protesting strongly against the application.

There are already instances where the noise from the various festivals and functions at the pub is highly intrusive and disruptive. I am forced to track the dates to avoid inviting guests to our home during those times. The changes in this application will result in the pub raising even the continual/"normal" level, as follows:

a) "The creation of a structural opening ... thereby creating a new car park area". I don't see on the plans where (how close to Springhead) ... or the number of additional cars this will incorporate, is noted on the plans;

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Of course, any increase will affect us ... and more so closer to the house;

b) "The creation of a new, larger decking area to the garden" will inevitably result in an increased level of noise both in the house and adjoining terrace/garden; and

c) "Relocation of the bar". Whereas the proposed change does not place the bar in the first room on the left (entering from High Street), the bar seems to straddle both that room and the adjoining rear entrance ... and with a free flow of people between the two. The noise level on my side would increase dramatically, not only "through the walls" but also through the chimney in my dining room.

In order to give us a modicum of protection, conditions would need to be attached to any license that may be granted. These should include the following, etc.:

a) No increase in the number of outside functions;

b) Control of noise levels outside, both during specific functions and in general use;

c) Control of inside use (noise and functions, etc.);

d) Conditions/restrictions on the licensing and hours of use for all aspects, both inside and out, of the Tollemache Arms' business.

My concerns are rooted in my natural wish to protect our home and our enjoyment in living there, and I do trust that they will merit your serious consideration.

With best wishes and my many thanks

Yours sincerely

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