

Appendix 2 - Representation

Prevention of Public Nuisance

From general public:

From:

Sent: 21 October 2019 14:07

To: Licencing <Licencing@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk>

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Subject: WK/201931500

Reference: Folklore, 69 The Old High Street, Folkestone, Kent, CT20 1RN

I wish to register an objection as a local resident (Bail Steps, off the Old High Street) to the proposed licensing hours for these new premises.

I believe that the granting of a licence extending beyond normal opening hours for premises serving alcohol at weekends will add to existing anti-social behaviour in this locality.

The number of drink and alcohol-related incidents of violence or public nuisance in and around the Old High Street is well-documented (and appears to be growing), according to 101 calls made, local residents association and other monitoring.

This has a serious impact on those of us who live there - domestic violence, urination, defecation and other incidents have been just part of our experience of drunken behaviours on Bail Steps, along with disturbance of our sleep - and anxiety for the safety of everyone concerned.

In the past month, two major residents' association meetings have been called to discuss the effect of growing levels of nuisance behaviour in the local neighbourhood. The next is due to be held on October 27th, with representation of elected representatives .

We have received explicit assurances from Councillors and officers that the District Council Safer Communities initiative and other policies are all about working in a positive partnership with local residents to reduce the effect on our town of this problem.

We also understand that the intention behind FHDC regeneration policies is to promote Folkestone as a safe, enjoyable and positive area for visitors and new investment.

The balance needs to be struck between encouraging enterprise and new amenities - and the risk that personal over-indulgence and individual business interests outweigh these overarching priorities for our community.

I would ask that if a licence is granted, that weekend hours are kept to ensure closing down the premises and the serving of alcohol well before midnight.

Please acknowledge this communication: thank you.

From Responsible Authority:

From: Planning

Sent: 30 October 2019 14:51

To: Licencing <Licencing@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk>

Subject: Planning consultation - 69 The Old High Street

Good afternoon,

I am writing with regard to the above consultation for the proposed licence at 69 The Old High Street, Folkestone.

It is considered that the proposed opening hours until 01.30 on Friday's and Saturdays and 00.30 on Thursdays would result in noise disturbance to neighbouring residential occupants which would result in public nuisance. Other premises in the area close at 00.00.

The Planning Department would therefore request that the premise be open no later than 00.00 on any day of the week.

Planning

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