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Ward Councillor 1

From: Cllr Carole Foster <Carole.Foster@rotherham.gov.uk>

Sent: Sunday, January 26, 2025 11:15 AM

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: Application for a new premises licence - TODAY'S, UNIT 4, OX CLOSE AVENUE, KIMBERWORTH PARK, ROTHERHAM

Dear Licensing Team,

I am writing to formally object to the application for a premises licence at 4 Ox Close Avenue, Kimberworth Park. I respectfully submit my representation in light of the following concerns regarding the application:

Sale of Alcohol for Off-Premises Consumption (24 hours daily)

The application requests permission for the sale of alcohol for off-premises consumption every day of the week between 00:00 and 00:59. I am concerned that granting this licence, particularly with such late hours, could result in increased antisocial behaviour and noise disturbances in the area, especially during the early hours. There are established concerns from residents about potential disruptions that could arise from the 24-hour sale of alcohol. Furthermore, there is an increased likelihood of public nuisance, including littering and loitering, particularly late at night. This could affect the local community and detract from the safety and wellbeing of residents in the vicinity.

Provision of Late-Night Refreshment (23:00 - 05:00 daily)

The application also seeks permission to provide late-night refreshment (hot food and drink) from 23:00 to 05:00 every day of the week. I am concerned that this could lead to significant noise and disruption, particularly in the residential area, during the late-night and early morning hours. The increase in foot traffic and potential congregating of individuals outside the premises may contribute to public nuisance, impacting the peace and safety of the local community.

In line with the licensing objectives, I urge the Licensing Committee to consider the potential for increased public nuisance and community disturbance as a result of these late hours. The welfare and peace of local residents should be a priority, and I believe that this application poses a significant risk to those interests.

I trust that the Licensing Committee will take these concerns seriously and give careful consideration to the potential adverse impacts of granting this application.

Yours sincerely,
Councillor Carole Foster

Ward Councillor 2

From: Cllr Simon Currie <Simon.Currie@rotherham.gov.uk>

Sent: Thursday, February 6, 2025 7:28 AM

To: Diane Kraus <Diane.Kraus@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Application for a new premises licence - TODAY'S, 4 OX CLOSE AVENUE, KIMBERWORTH PARK, ROTHERHAM

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The prevention of public nuisance and the protection of children from harm.

The area has many children who hang about the shops, the police and detached youth workers work tirelessly to keep these children safe .

We have residents who live near this unit in flats, houses and bungalows that house old and vulnerable adults.

The prevention of crime & disorder.

24 hours of alcohol sales will attract a lot of people to the shop and would with it bring drug issues, the police work along with the community to protect our residents from crime , we have invested 10's of thousands of pounds improving St Johns Green shopping area to be a safer area for all.

The licence for 24hour alcohol sales will only cause massive issues .

Public safety

It is a known fact that alcohol fuels violence and if people have access to and are drinking for 24 hours then members of the public as stated previously will be in danger from said drinkers.

Regards

Cllr Currie

Ward Councillor 3

From: Cllr Gill Garnett <Gill.Garnett@rotherham.gov.uk>

Sent: 06 February 2025 15:41

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: Objection

Dear Licensing team

I am writing to formally object to the provision of a license for Number 4 OX Close Avenue in S61 for the sale of Alcohol and hot food and drink for the hours between 23.00 to 05.00 am.

I wish to forward my concerns regarding this application due to the impact that this would have on the local community and its residents.

- Increased footfall could cause a congregation of individuals causing noise and public nuisance.
- Increased littering and vandalism could cause damage to the surrounding properties and area.
- Increased Anti-social behaviour may cause disturbance and stress to elderly residents and the neighbourhood.
- Could cause disruption to local businesses.
- There could be a concern for the safety of residents and surrounding premises and properties.

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In line with the licensing objectives, I urge the Licensing Committee to consider the potential for increased public nuisance and community disturbance as a result of these late hours. The safety and welfare of residents should be a priority, and I believe that this application poses a significant risk to those interests.

Cllr Gill Garnett

Other Person One

Sent: Friday, January 31, 2025 5:49 PM

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: AKMS Retail Limited, Unit 4 Ox Close Avenue

LICENCE APPLICANT: AKMS Retail Limited

PREMISES: Unit 4 Ox Close Avenue, Kimberworth Park, Rotherham S61 3QY

Strongly object to the 24 hour license, there is enough street drinking as it is, this will just encourage more street drinking making the green more UNSAFE. Why encourage a healthier lifestyle then let this, that leads to alcoholism, go ahead. If you care about community, this must not be allowed.

Thanks

Other Person Two

Sent: Friday, January 31, 2025 7:07 PM

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: Unit 4 Ox Close Avenue Kimberworth Park

To whom this may concern

I would like to raise concern about the application for a 24 hour off licence to be situated at the above property.

I own a business [REDACTED] on St John's Green and have done for almost 23 years. During this time I have come to realise that the type of business that has been applied for is one that can cause majority of the problems that can arise on St John's Green.

There are already 2 businesses serving alcohol & refreshments, both of these close at 9-10pm as that is the time that trouble can begin. If alcohol is readily available 24 hours a day I believe that it will bring no end of trouble to the area and I am concerned what that will mean for my business.

Please consider the future of other business's around when making a decision on this matter.

Kind regards

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Other Person Three

Sent: Friday, January 31, 2025 7:57 PM
To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>
Subject: AKMS Retail

License applicant: AKMS Retail Ltd
Premises: Unit 4 Ox Close Ave, Kimberworth Park, S61 3QY

St John's Green already has a serious antisocial behaviour problem which has failed to be contained by authorities. By opening a late night alcohol store it is going to attract further problems including drunken customers, alcohol consumption on the streets in addition to groups of teenagers congregating in the area and the vandalism, intimidation and noise concerns that come along with that.

I live across from St John's Green, it is already an unpleasant place to live without further opportunities for antisocial behaviour.

Regards,

Other Person Four

Sent: Friday, January 31, 2025 8:04 PM
To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>
Subject: St John's Green Application

To whom it may concern,

I have just come across the below post on our local social media group and would like to put forward my own comments.

"New licence request has been submitted for a 24 hour shop to serve alcohol and late night refreshments at St John's Green. Licence is required to sell alcohol and food between 11 pm and 5 am. Details of the licence request below and where you can make comments about this request. Any comments need to be sent before 14th February 2025.

I believe that this is an absolutely horrendous idea. St John's Green has an antisocial behaviour problem as it is, without adding all-night alcohol to the mix. The police are called daily because of issues with Morrisons, let alone with somewhere fuelling the fire with alcohol. This is not something that the village needs at all, quite the opposite in fact.

RMBC must surely have had many many complaints about St John's Green and it's antisocial behavior issues, this proposed premises is not something that we want or need, and will only serve to further the issues we have in the area.

There are already grown men who sit behind St John's Church with crates of alcohol and teenagers who smoke and sell drugs on the church steps which I would assume you're very much aware of. Why encourage more of the same?

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We need our greengrocers back, not access to alcohol all night every night.

Please put a stop to this absurd proposal.

Kind regards.

Additional Information from Other Person Four

Sent: Wednesday, February 5, 2025 12:55 PM

To: Diane Kraus <Diane.Kraus@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: Re: Representations - Grant of a premises licence - TODAY'S, UNIT 4, OX CLOSE AVENUE, KIMBERWORTH PARK, ROTHERHAM

That particular area is already rife with antisocial behaviour with drug dealers using the steps to the building as a meeting point and frequently damaging the steps themselves making it unsafe to walk on. We really don't need that exacerbating.

Other Person Five

Sent: Saturday, February 1, 2025 12:36 PM

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: Regarding licensing application

Dear sir or madam

I'm writing to you to request the attached application is refused as I believe this will cause more anti social behaviour and create trouble for me and my family who currently own the property on [REDACTED] ox close avenue [REDACTED]

There are already issue with St Johns green with antisocial behaviour as it is with many nights there been at least one police car moving on gangs of young people who gather around the local shops on St John's green as well and the takeaway which is on the opposite side of the above mentioned planning address.

Not only this but the amount of rubbish myself and my partner have to clear from our drive after a weekend is absolutely appalling i want my property to look good but having to clean up takeaway boxes and cans and disposable vapes aswell as the added rubbish this will create will make living at the property pointless.

I'm concerned for any damages that could be done to my property and any confrontations that will arise from intoxicated people leaving this establishment.

In all honesty I would probably consider selling up and moving if this is allowed

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Other Person Six

From: no-reply@rotherhamcouncil.org.uk <no-reply@rotherhamcouncil.org.uk>

Sent: Friday, January 31, 2025 8:26 PM

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: Ref: 3970044 Ask about licensing, enquire about a licence or raise a concern - Alcohol sales licensing

hi i would like to object to this been permitted New licence request has been submitted for a 24 hour shop to serve alcohol and late night refreshments at St John's Green.

we already have enough selling booze around here so yet another is bad enough but adding all night badly needs blocking theres more than enough drunken and abusive trouble around the green as it is your going to make it 10 times worse once booze ramps up like it will drugs will skyrocket even more id even put money on kids getting booze from it they get stuff from the back doors of the other shops its all getting too much and needs stopping not adding too

Other Person Seven

Sent: Saturday, February 1, 2025 9:31 PM

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: Licence request

Dear Sir, Madame

I saw this in Facebook and would strongly request this us not granted. There is too much social disorder in the area already without adding in longer access yo alcohol. The Morrisons store is open late enough for people.

It would be better to fund a permanent youth group for this area especially aimed at teens.

Please fo not granted this 24 hour request.

Other Person Eight

From: no-reply@rotherhamcouncil.org.uk <no-reply@rotherhamcouncil.org.uk>

Sent: Monday, February 3, 2025 7:12 PM

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: Ref: 3973648 Ask about licensing, enquire about a licence or raise a concern - Report a concern

I would like to register my concern regarding an application for 24hour alcohol license for a shop at St Johns Green Kimberworth Park. I live near the shops and also love alone. In the past i have been scared to go to the shops after dark due to anti social behaviour from gangs of youths. Recently this seems to have lessened and the shopping center is not as scary. Alcohol abuse in our town is a major concern also and having access to booze 24 hours a day is a recipe for disaster. The local people dont want the hassle and noise that will also be associated with this terrible idea.

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Other Person Nine

Sent: Tuesday, February 4, 2025 2:18 PM

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: OBJECTION TO LICENSE REQUEST: AKMS RETAIL LIMITED

I wish to object to the License request submitted by AKMS Retail Limited at unit 4, Ox Close Avenue, Kimberworth Park, Rotherham S61 3QY.

This area of Kimberworth Park (St John's Green) is already subject to anti-social behaviour and patrols by Rotherham police. Public Safety is at further risk by approving this application as at present youths already intimidate and cause public nuisance to the staff at the Morrisons shop on the Green. The Green already has 2 shops selling alcohol (one until 10pm) and for people to have access to alcohol much later can only be a public nuisance to local residents with excess noise, people hanging about on the Green drinking.

This is not what is needed in this area.

Other Person Ten

Date: Wed, 5 Feb 2025, 11:16

Subject: 24hr Alcohol Licence

To: <licensinglicensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Good morning, I live on [REDACTED]
I absolutely oppose this licence.

There is enough anti social behaviour in Kimberworth without allowing people, in the middle of a large housing estate, to congregate early in the morning for booze. Can we not go 12 hours without being able to buy booze? If people are that desperate to drink then they will already have it in. Is it because you are assuming we are poor and it's assumed we all get through it with the numbing effects of alcohol?

This would be a major issue to an already fragile community. Come on now, it's mad.

Other Person Eleven

Sent: Wednesday, February 5, 2025 8:08 PM

To: Diane Kraus <Diane.Kraus@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: Unit 4 ox close Avenue

I am writing to you about my concerns about the licensing of the above property.

There are already 2 shops selling alcohol in the vicinity at the moment the latest closing at the minute is 10pm.

One of the shops has been subjected to several robberies with one being very recent.

There is constant antisocial behaviour until the shops close and sometimes beyond which I fear will get worse and later as they have somewhere to go.

As a local resident we have lots of car doors slammed, music from cars at full blast until shops close and with a young child I don't want this to be later.

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When the bookmakers was there previously it attracted a lot of drug users and with the license to make it the only place that will be open to sell alcohol and open in these hours I have a big concern about this. Like I have said before I have a young child and I don't want them witnessing any more anti social behaviour and the swear words used constantly and the more often than not smell of weed from the people who are already hanging round the area more than they are at the minute which I believe giving this licence will just make thing 100 times worse and encourage more people to the area.

Other Person Twelve

Sent: 06 February 2025 07:59

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: Re: licensing for unit 4 ox close

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to raise my concerns regarding the application for a licence to sell alcohol 24hr a day at unit 4 Ox Close Avenue, kimberworth Park, Rotherham.

I live on [REDACTED] close to this location and the area has for sometime now, problems with antisocial behaviour and large groups and gangs hanging around St John's Green shops where this unit is.

When doing activities and classes in the church on an evening we have to have the door locked for our safety. It already feels unsafe to venture to and from these classes and shops in the evening without the added sale of alcohol 24hrs.

I feel this would add and cause further problems to an already troubled area.

Thank you for taking my concerns into consideration.

Other Person Thirteen

Date: Thu, 6 Feb 2025, 08:38

Subject: Liqueur licence ox close

To: <licensing@rotgerham.gov.uk>

Hello.

I am emailing my thoughts on the proposed licence for unit 4 Ox close Avenue kimberworth park Rotherham.

I believe it is proposing to be open 24hours, this is a dreadful idea the area is bad enough for anti social behaviour already I feel opening that length of time would be disastrous for the area and I strongly oppose it.

Please think carefully and ask the immediate residents of the area as some will not even know this is being proposed and I feel would be highly against it also.

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Other Person Fourteen

Sent: 06 February 2025 10:34 AM
To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>
Subject: St John's Green Kimberworth Park

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I would like to object to the application for a 24 hour shop selling alcohol on St John's Green.

Myself and my family live in Kimberworth Park. St John's Green is my local shopping area that I use in the day time. It is not somewhere I would go after 6pm especially on dark nights. Youths, drug users and drunks are all milling around. They are intimidating. I'm only glad I live a few streets away.

I'm more than aware we need new life in our local shopping area but this kind of store would i feel impact negatively on the local residents lives.

Other Person Fifteen

Sent: 06 February 2025 12:30
To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>
Subject: Licence Unit 4 Ox Close Avenue

I am emailing due to concerns of an alcohol licence being applied for at the above unit. We have enough problems, with alcohol, drugs, theft etc, in the area without adding to it by allowing this licence to go ahead, I would urge you to give consideration to the problems this would cause on an estate where it can only add to the problems

Other Person Sixteen

Sent: 06 February 2025 15:12
To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>
Subject: Late hours for buying alcohol

Due to the information I received of the St John's green Kimberworth park I understand that you can buy alcohol during the times of 11pm and 5am. I find with occurring trouble due to crowds of kids and adults that occur I think it's absolutely unacceptable that people are allowing this to happen. The safety of staff is an issue and policing it it should be feet costly. This is an area which is common for drug takers and underage drinking. I disagree totally with the opening hours of this shop

Other Person Seventeen

Sent: 06 February 2025 15:11
To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>
Subject: St johns green

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I am emailing regarding my concerns about the idea of the 24 hour license on st johns green. I have lived around here for 25 years some of which where my teenage years.

These shops are barely safe now for the older generation and even the younger. The amount of time i have been up there and been hurled abuse at is un countable. I know my elder parents wont even use these shops during the day because of the terror of going up.

As the council you must know how much police resorces have been used up there over the years and this is going to cause so much more noise and public nuisance.

The crime and disorder rate will more than like go up as people will be drinking and it will affect the workers late at night in the other shops.

With the crime already going up with young people in south yorkshire, i think money should be spent on better area's than building somewhere for there to be more crime and potential harm to the public.

Other Person Eighteen

Sent: 06 February 2025 18:55

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: Stv John's green, new 24 hr license application

I wish to raise an objection to the above 24hr licence, which will enable the owners to sell food and alcohol. The area has been plagued by unsocial behaviour for years and just seems to be recovering from the effects of this. A 24 hr alcohol licence would set the area back years. It will become a meeting point to drink at any hour, which in itself puts local people at risk. It could encourage youngsters to congregate and cause anxiety and stress to residents. Please consult Rotherham police about the level of disruption that has happened in the past.

St John's green will become a no go area for the local residents (old people's bungalows are adjacent to the area

Please do not approve the 24hr licence.

Other Person Nineteen

Sent: 07 February 2025 11:48

To: Diane Kraus <Diane.Kraus@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: FW: Licensing Objection

I object on the grounds of -

As a Grandparent and Mum of residents to this proposed shop, I wish to make an objection for the licence that has been applied for, for the sale of alcohol 24 hours and the sale of late night refreshments between 23:00 to 05:00.

I spend two days per week at my Daughters which is within a one minute walk of this shop.

I understand that objections have to meet set criteria and in my opinion, this application meets all 4 criteria for objection.

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Preventing Crime Disorder

Quote from Alcohol Change UK

“Antisocial behaviour is the main predictor of alcohol (mis)use and alcohol-related trouble, with alcohol (mis)use impacting only modestly on antisocial behaviour and alcohol-related trouble in the shorter term.”

Putting the opportunity to purchase alcohol 24 hours a day, 7 days a week is increasing the risk of anti-social behaviour in an area that has history and high rates of anti-social behaviour and serious crime.

There are already 2 shops at St Johns Green that can serve alcohol up to 10 pm, and both these have been subject to anti-social behaviour and serious crimes, which I am sure police will be able to provide statistics, adding a further shop that can serve alcohol outside of these hours, will put residents living in this area at greater risk.

Finance – The cost of security required to ensure local residents are kept safe through the night, extra police required.

Public Safety

There are two local primary schools and two comprehensive schools within short walking distance of the shops on St. Johns Green. This area is frequented by children of school age.

I feel there is a risk if there is an opportunity for consumers to hang around this area, with the knowledge that they can purchase alcohol and hot food 24 hours per day.

This area has a number of one-bedroom bungalows for priority for elderly and disabled, who I feel may be put at risk if consumers can hang around to purchase alcohol 24 hours per day.

Specifically during the hours of 11:00 pm to 5:00 am.

Prevention Public Nuisance

St Johns Green is being supported b Towns & Villages Fund to improve the area.

[\(Towns and Villages Fund: Keppel Ward – Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council](#)

It is proposed that this scheme will make public realm improvements to St John’s Green in Kimberworth).

I feel adding a 24-hour shop selling alcohol will put the excellent work that has already happened to improve our area and future plans at risk.

This gives an opportunity for those wishing to buy alcohol during the night, somewhere to go. I have researched and there are very few establishments that open 24 hours, in fact in Rotherham I could not find any establishment that did open 24 hours other than a petrol station or a 24-hour supermarket who has security on site. There is surely a reason that these are the only type of establishments who have this type of licence and not a shop in a community shopping precinct, extremely close to properties (Less than 10 footsteps away is the first property).

Increase in litter – St. Johns Green is regularly cleaned by Litter Pickers, this shop being open during the night, will increase the risk of further litter as it is described, alcohol and hot food to be consumed off the premises.

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Noise nuisance

Consumers going into a shop to purchase alcohol and hot food during the night, could cause a noise nuisance. This establishment is extremely close to residential properties, surely they have the right to a peaceful night.

Protecting Children from Harm

Mainly as described in Public Safety.

Also – if a shop is open 24 hours for alcohol and hot food, there is a risk of increased noise, contributing to disturbed sleep. Risk of anti-social behaviour or worse, as this has already been experienced with the current shops that are on St. Johns Green and these close at 10 pm. Spoilt environment with the risk of higher litter, risk of vandalism as alcohol can contribute to anti-social behaviour.

To summarise, I have no objection to a new shop opening on the precinct, but I feel that residents living in very close proximity have to be considered if this shop is going to be allowed to open after 11pm and through the night.

I feel the seriousness of this, local residents should have been alerted.

If there is already an objection from the Police, Local Councillors, then there has to be serious consideration given to the feelings of local residents.

If anyone is unsure – may be just one thought, would you like to live next door or across the road from a shop that is open 24 hours a day, serving alcohol and hot food after 11 pm up to 6 am in the morning? Something that has never happened or been available at St Johns Green.

I hope local residents will be considered.

Other Person Twenty

Sent: 07 February 2025 12:41

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject:

I would like to object to the new shop at the top of ox close avenue/ St John's green being open all night selling alcohol. I live across the road and it's bad enough with Morrisons opening while 10pm. We will get anti social behaviour and we don't need it. Many thanks

Other Person Twenty One – Grounds closely mirror those submitted by Other Person Nineteen

Sent: 10 February 2025 10:44

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: Objection

Firstly I am a local resident living very close to the proposed 24-hour shop.

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Objection to: Sale of alcohol, for consumption off the premises, between 00:00 to 00:50 (24 hours each day); and provision of Late-Night refreshment for consumption off the premises, on every day of the week between 23:00 hours and 05:00 (a licence for the provision of hot food and drink is not required outside of these hours).

As a very close resident to this proposed shop, I wish to make an objection for the licence that has been applied for, for the sale of alcohol 24 hours and the sale of late night refreshments between 23:00 to 05:00.

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Other Person Twenty Two

Sent: 10 February 2025 21:27

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: Unit 4 Ox Close Avenue

I wish to share my concerns and disapproval about the proposed new establishment at Unit 4 Ox Close Avenue Kimberworth Park

There is a huge issue in Kimberworth Park around alcohol misuse already without increasing access to it 24/7 Alcohol causes so many problems for individuals, families, friends, the general public, NHS and emergency services

Local residents in and around St Johns Green have had their lives disrupted by anti social behaviour for more than their share and is so unfair for this to be increased

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There is more than enough opportunities for people to purchase alcohol without increasing it further As a long time resident and worker in Kimberworth Park I wish to register that I am completely against the proposal and would like to be kept up to date with the developments regarding this

Additional Information from Other Person Twenty Two

Sent: 13 February 2025 12:45

To: Diane Kraus <Diane.Kraus@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: Re: Representations - Grant of a premises licence - TODAY'S, UNIT 4, OX CLOSE AVENUE, KIMBERWORTH PARK, ROTHERHAM

From time spent in the community or groups I see and hear there the devastating impact and effects of alcohol consumption on other families.

Other Person Twenty Three

Sent: 10 February 2025 19:29

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: AKMS Retail Ltd Licence request

Dear Sir/Madam,

I just learned about this application and I am very worried of what 24 hours alcohol sale will bring at night to this residential neighbourhood. I don't know the owners and I cannot comment on the quality of the coming shop but I don't believe this is an appropriate location. We would need regular patrols, improved lighting and CCTVs around the square and all nearby streets and I don't believe the council will do that. All our cars are parked on not very wide roads and I also fear that they could not be safe. I would not object a location not so close to people residences and on a main road so traffic can come and go without disturbing the neighbourhood.

Other Person Twenty Four

Sent: 11 February 2025 16:49

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>; Cllr Simon Currie <Simon.Currie@rotherham.gov.uk>; Cllr Carole Foster <Carole.Foster@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: AKMS - OX Close Avenue

I am contacting you in relation to the licence application for a 24 hour shop to sell alcohol based on Ox Close Avenue, kimberworth park.

I am a resident of Kimberworth Park and regularly use the shops on St. Johns green. Anti social behaviour has always been an issue around the shops and ox close. Issuing a licence for a 24 hour shop to sell alcohol will just compound the problems further. Disruptive and harmful behaviour regularly occur, including vandalism, aggressive behaviour, littering, drug abuse; these actions significantly disturb the peace and safety of the community.

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A 24 hours off-licence will lead to an increase in alcohol related issues like public disorder, noise pollution, potential for underage drinking and disruption to local residents. Which in turn will place a strain on the police forces due to the potential for more alcohol related crime and antisocial behaviour.

It will have a negative impact on the nearby residents and the area in general. Recently St. Johns Green has undergone a makeover, removing walls and areas for gangs to congregate around to improve the safety of the area for the community so issuing this licence now would be of significant detriment to the area.

Other Person Twenty Five

Sent: 12 February 2025 09:19

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: comments/objection regarding Unit 4 Ox Close Avenue

I'm emailing in relation to a licence request you have received for Unit 4 Ox Close Avenue, Kimberworth Park, S61 3QY for a 24-hour licence to sell alcohol from their premises.

I would like to make comments to object against this licence request.

I am a local resident living [REDACTED] close to where this shop is located so I know first hand the impact this would have on our already struggling local community.

St Johns Green and the additional business units on Ox Close Ave already suffer from large groups of people gathering and congregating around the shops, resulting in frequent anti-social behaviour which then spills out on to and affects neighbouring residential streets.

This means that there is already a heavy police presence in the area to try and tackle this ongoing problem. Allowing this 24-hour licence would only encourage this behaviour and add extra strain on South Yorkshire Police.

There are residential properties next door to, behind and across the road from where this shop is located – some of which are bungalows housing elderly, vulnerable residents. The sale of alcohol 24 hours would create an uncomfortable living environment for these residents, especially since the licence is for the sale of alcohol to be consumed off the premises once bought, increasing the potential for this to be consumed on the surrounding streets.

There are children who frequent the area of these shops when passing through socialising with their friends and in addition to this, these shops are one of the main locations where children walk through early hours of the morning on their way to school. Children should not have to be subject to witnessing people coming and going at all hours purchasing alcohol. This would feed into the narrative that this is okay, if they are witnessing this frequently, it will be normalised to them and have the potential to influence them to pick up the same behaviours later in life.

Aside from the multiple factors I have stated above, I believe that the excessive sale and intake of alcohol should not be encouraged not only from community safety point of view, but also from a community health point of view. Allowing the sale of alcohol 24 hours, especially in this sensitive location, would feed into diseases such as alcoholism which would then impact and put strain on our already struggling NHS.

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Other Person Twenty Six

Sent: 12 February 2025 22:28

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: 4 ox close avenue s61 3qy

I am strongly against extended hours for the shop on ox close because:
There is already enough anti social behaviour Gathering of youths And litter

Other Person Twenty Seven

Sent: 14 February 2025 09:36

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: Unit 4 Ox Close

I am emailing regarding the licence application for Unit 4 Ox Close Avenue
Kimberworth Park S61 3QY

I have a few concerns regarding the 24 hour licence as the area already has issues with litter and some antisocial behaviour. If this application is granted the problems will increase.

Also the noise that would come with people and cars coming and going all through the night.
I feel that this could have an impact on residents living in the surrounding area.

Other Person Twenty Eight

Sent: 14 February 2025 13:31

To: Licensing <Licensing@rotherham.gov.uk>

Subject: Application: Unit 4 Ox Close Avenue, Kimberworth Park

Representations from the Parochial Church Council, St John's, Kimberworth Park

We wish to object to the application to allow the 24-hour sale of alcohol and light refreshments at the premises on Ox Close Avenue.

We are surprised that there is reckoned to be sufficient local demand for opening through the night. The premises would need adequate staff to be safe and if it is to succeed in attracting enough trade to be viable it would mean a significant amount of night-time traffic and the inevitable disturbance that would come with it. This is a residential area where it is wholly reasonable to expect peace and quiet during night-time hours and this should be protected. All-night opening would be more appropriate in the town centre and we note that there is a current application for premises there.

St John's Green already has a problematic reputation, having suffered from a lot of vandalism and other anti-social behaviour over the years. This led to the formation of the St John's Green Stakeholder Group to promote the Green as a place that is attractive and safe for all in the community. We have since been encouraged by the progress made through successive police and council initiatives in addressing the problems. Even so, local people are still understandably wary

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about coming onto the Green at night. All-night opening for sale of alcohol in the vicinity would do more harm to the reputation of the area, adding to the risk of anti-social behaviour, reinforcing the perception that the area is unsafe and setting back the progress that has been made over recent years.

We think these concerns far outweigh any legitimate benefits of the proposal for the local community.

Vice Chair of the PCC