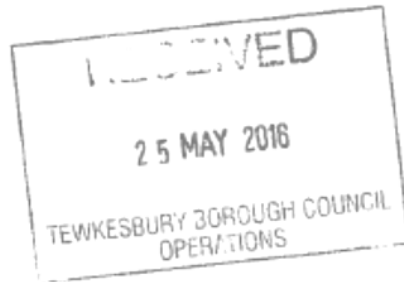


Appendix C



Licensing Department
Tewkesbury Borough Council
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Tewkesbury
GL20 5TT

Dear Sir/Madam,

23 May 2016

Ref 16/00381/LIQLCB

Norton Rugby Football Club, Norton Village Hall, Tewkesbury Road, Norton, Gloucester GL2 9LJ

I am writing to register my objection to the application for a premises license by Norton Rugby Football Club for Norton Village Hall, Norton, Gloucester GL2 9LJ.

We, the residents in this area already suffer substantial noise nuisance, antisocial behaviour and disturbance at all hours of the day and night. We have endured this growing inconvenience as the village hall, school, playing field and MUGA have grown and developed over the years.

As each development has taken place against the advice and wishes of the local residents, we have had to endure growing anti-social behaviour and disorder.

We are continuously plagued throughout the day by noise and nuisance from the car park and school. Evenings and weekend are disturbed by noise caused by the various activities in the hall, car park and surrounding areas. Inconsiderate visitors to the village hall, car park and field throughout the day and night who have no regard for the local residents or community.

A range of groups from outside the village frequently travel to use the car park, field and MUGA, using tirades of foul language and the car park as a test track and skid pan.

This licensing application is unnecessary as I believe the local village public house is due to re-open in the near future as part of the planning approval at the Kings Head development. There is perhaps an opportunity here for Norton RFC to take on the license at the Kings Head for the greater benefit of the community.

The basis for this opposition is that granting a license for these premises will not promote the licensing objectives in this locality, particularly the prevention of crime, disorder and antisocial behaviour.

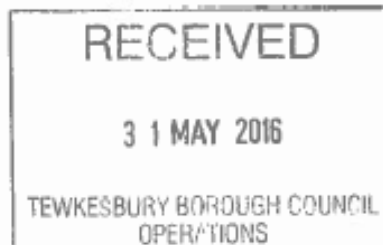
I would also urge the Committee to consider the proximity of the school, the use of the Village hall by the school and mother/toddler groups.

In view of the above, I would urge the Licensing Authority to refuse the application.

Yours faithfully

27 May 2016

The Licensing Department
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Dear Sirs

Norton Rugby Football Club - Norton Village Hall

I understand that there is an application for the grant of a premises licence for Norton Village Hall to sell alcohol and regulated entertainment at the premises. This application is for up to the hour of midnight.

All users of the hall have to vacate the hall by midnight according to the hall's Terms and Conditions. Therefore the hours should be decreased from midnight to 11.00 pm. I enclose an extract of the Terms and Conditions which can be found on the Norton Village Hall's own website.

Being a close resident to the hall there is enough disturbance and noise when users leave the hall and having the licence up to midnight, the hall's users will be reluctant to leave any earlier.

I am not in full favour of a licence being granted but the hours should definitely be decreased so that less nuisance is caused to local residents, some of whom are young children and shift workers

Yours sincerely

Extract from Terms and Conditions of hiring Norton Village Hall:

16. End of Hire

16.1. The Hirer shall ensure that the Premises are vacated at the time specified at time of booking and no later than 12pm. In the event that the Hirer and his party have not vacated the Premises by the Time Stated, at booking, NVH shall impose a penalty of 2x the hourly rate for every part or full un-booked hour after the End Time stated.

16.2. With regard to Time Stated the Start Time and End Times of said booking are mutually exclusive. If the Hirer enters the premises after the start time they have no right to leave the premises at a time in excess of the End Time of an equal amount. Also if the hirer arrives later than the Start Time or leave earlier than the End Time no refund of any unused time will be issued.

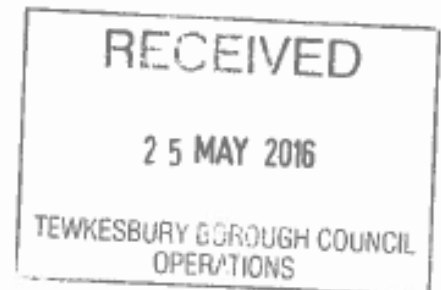
16.3. If the hirer allows people to remain in the premises after 12pm (without prior written consent) then a penalty of £50 may be levied at the discretion of the committee.

16.4. The Hirer shall be responsible for leaving the Premises and surrounding area in a clean and tidy condition and any contents temporarily removed from their usual positions properly replaced, if this condition is not complied with the Council shall at its discretion make an additional charge

16.5. The key must be returned to the point of collection within 2 hours of stated End Time

Ref: Norton village hall licence

21st May 2016



To whom it may concern

I'm writing to express my concern at the proposal to grant a bar licence to sell alcohol at Norton village hall.

Of late we have had various improvements to the village hall, this being the MUGA and extension for the rugby club, which has had some adverse effects to the local residents. We have to endure loud music late at night mid week and anti social behaviour from rowdy people in the car park, blaring music and beeping cars horns at all hours.

The proposed licence is not about the benefit of the residents of the village, but about giving the rugby club a free reign to basically drink every night until midnight without any thought of anyone else. None of the villagers will benefit from the bar, no one will be going there for meals or socialising, it will purely be rugby boys. Our bedrooms are right over the car park, so in the summer the village hall doors will be open and they will be outside smoking and shouting. Ask yourself if you would think this fair if it were you?

We appreciate that we will have to put up with noise living next to the village hall, and we already do with the school, parties in the village hall and all the other activities, but that is fine, we accept that.

What isn't acceptable is to be expected to put up with it from 8am until 1am every day of the week when we all have to get up early for work.

That point made I hear the houses being built by the pub were allowed on the understanding that the pub would be re-vamped for the village, how can this compete with a village hall run bar with possibly cheaper deals? All the drinkers, which consist mainly of the young rugby crowd, will be in the village hall.

A portion of the rugby players are from outside the village, so drink driving on our unlit lanes is a major concern. Should the licence be granted, the police will be made fully aware if any drink drivers are observed.

I think the licence should be declined to help not only the local pub once complete, but also to prevent this location being exploited as an un-policed drinking den. We have already been forced to telephone the committee chairman when past parties have still been in full swing way past the legal closing time. It is not reasonable to expect local residents to live with this on a daily basis.

Yours sincerely