

Licensing Services,
Civic Centre, Wolverhampton



28th July 2015

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Application for licence on behalf of proposed Merridale Supermarket, Clifton House, Merridale Road, Wolverhampton.

I strongly object to a licence being granted for the above premises.

My objections are as follows:-

- 1) There is already a shop selling mainly alcoholic drinks 3 doors away from the new shop.
- 2) The hours that are proposed are until midnight.
- 3) Groups of adults, drinking alcohol from cans have taken to congregating in the shelter at the apex of Merridale Road/Compton Road. The shelter is opposite Merridale Supermarket. The police have moved these individuals three times in the last week. These people display behaviour likely to cause harassment, alarm or distress. I am 76yrs old and do not need this kind of problem.

The bus shelter in Chapel Ash had to be removed due to people buying alcoholic drinks in the shop there and then these individuals then sat in the bus shelter, drinking and asking people for money. I do not want this to recur on the Merridale Road.

Shops selling cans of alcoholic drinks should be subject to the same regulations as supermarkets i.e. not selling cans individually but as multipacks. I hope that this would prevent people buying a can and then sitting in a public area drinking.

Yours faithfully,

N.B. My address should not be divulged to the Applicant.

BY EMAIL AND HAND DELIVERED.

Licensing@wolverhampton.gov.uk

I am writing to oppose the Off License application for the new Supermarket in this Community which is still to open; Merridale Supermarket, Clifton House, Merridale Road, Wolverhampton, WV3 0UR.

The reason for this objection relates to the following:

- Anti-Social Behaviour
 1. Public Safety
 - a. Elderly people being harassed, verbally abused and being asked for money
 - b. Not a safe surrounding for children and young people
 2. Crime and Disorder
 - a. Theft
 - b. Urinating in general public
 - c. Harassing people walking general public
 3. Public Nuisance
 - a. Noise pollution
 - b. Litter
- Existing Licenses/Premises

Also this would have a negative effect on shops of similar nature within close proximity.

The application for this premises proposes that alcohol will be sold for consumption off the premises from 6 o'clock in the morning until midnight, seven days a week.

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

Granting a licence would provide a further source of alcohol within this area already populated with licenced premises that public nuisance, crime and disorder have already reached problem levels for the local police.

In this area residents have already endured the inconvenience of litter, noise nuisance and antisocial behaviour at all hours of the day and night, and it is totally unacceptable to expect them to continue to do so.

Also the local residents have expressed they are unhappy with the opening of another off license.

S.Singh

Sent from Windows Mail

Hi Rob,

Can you please bring to the attention of the panel considering this application my objections.

There is, and has been, many reported incidents of anti social behaviour related to the consumption of alcohol in this and surrounding areas of the city.

Another store selling alcohol will only fuel this problem further.

Constituents have contacted me stating such concerns about the application and I am inclined to agree with them.

I request that the application is declined, and if this is not possible, then strict conditions imposed.

Regards.

Councillor Craig Collingswood.

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From: Councillor Mike Hardacre

Sent: Tuesday, August 4, 2015 4:21:08 PM

To: Colin Parr

Subject: FW: Merridale Supermarket Last day for comments 06/08/2015 (NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED)

Dear Colin,

Please accept this email as a formal objection to this licensing proposal as it stands.

Mike Hardacre

Sent with Good (www.good.com)

From: Councillor Mike Hardacre

Sent: Tuesday, August 4, 2015 2:58:10 PM

To: Cheryl Rock; Philip Farmer

Cc: Councillor Craig Collingswood; Councillor Claire Darke; Jim Smith

Subject: RE: Merridale Supermarket Last day for comments 06/08/2015 (NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED)

Dear Cheryl,

Can I formally record my objections to the opening hours for alcohol for this establishment. When the small Sainsbury's opened on Compton road we also asked for restrictions on selling individual cans of ale. Given the history of anti-social behaviour in the area mainly fuelled by drink it would seem imprudent not to restrict alcohol sales to the same conditions that we agreed with The Sainsbury outlet.

Mike Hardacre

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