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Dear Sir or Madam,

RE: Premises Licensing Application - Cute Coffee Lounge Ltd, 72 School Road, Tettenhall Wood, Wolverhampton, WV6 8EY

This letter is to register my objection and comments to the new premises application for the above address.

I understand that this application is for regulated entertainment (recorded and live music), late night refreshments and sale/supply of alcohol for consumption on and off the premises.

The reasons for my objections are based upon the extended opening hours, the sale of alcohol for consumption off the premises and playing of live music which has the potential to increase anti social behavior and cause disturbance to neighboring properties..

The property is located on School Road and bordered by 2 other roads, Yew Tree Lane and Penk Rise.



There are a number of recorded incidents on the Police website for these 3 roads and the results of potentially alcohol related incidents are summarized on the table below:

2013 Summary of crimes reported on Police.uk for School Road, Yew Tree Lane & Penk Rise					
Month	Crime reported	School Road	Yew Tree lane	Penk Rise	Month Total
Jan	None				0
Feb	Criminal damage & arson	1			3
Feb	Violent & sexual offences	1			
Feb	Criminal damage			1	
March	Violent & sexual offences	1			1
April	Anti social behaviour		1		3
April	Anti social behaviour	1			
April	Anti social behaviour			1	
May	none				0
June	Vehicle crime		1		3
June	Violent & sexual offences		1		
June	Anti social behaviour			1	
July	none				
Aug	Anti social behaviour		1		2
Aug	Anti social behaviour	1			
Sept	Violent & sexual offences	1			1
Oct	Violent & sexual offences			1	1
Nov	Anti social behaviour		1		2
Nov	Violent & sexual offences		1		
Dec	Violent & sexual offences	1			1
Totals		7	6	4	17
Percentage of total		41%	35%	24%	100%
Source www.police.uk (Does not include additional vehicle crime, theft and burglary listed crimes)					

The above are potentially alcohol related incidents and are the incidents recorded by the police and do not include any no recorded incidents.

I have called the police and emergency services several times in the last year for incidents surrounding this property.

Emergency services called to attend to a man that had collapsed due to alcohol in the bus shelter directly outside the café. (Ambulance and Police attended).

Police called when a group of youths vandalized the same bus shelter



Police have been called on 3 occasions to report drug dealing (this is a regular spot for drug dealers to meet their clients).

I can be seen from the information above that there is a potential to increase the antisocial behavior in the local area if alcohol was offered for sale for consumption off the premises.

The bus shelter is also an area that youths use to congregate in poor weather and as it is directly outside the café, there is the potential for them to buy and consume alcohol outside these premises.

The property is surrounded by residential homes on 3 sides and extended opening hours with a license to play live and recorded music late into the night is likely to cause a disturbance to the adjacent properties.

As mentioned above, my objection is based on the extended opening hours with the sale of alcohol for consumption off the premises combined with live music which has the potential to increase violent, anti social behavior and criminal damage in the area. These types of incidents are often associated with alcohol consumption.

I live opposite these premises with a young family and am very happy with the improvements made since this property has been renovated and improved by converting it into a interiors shop with a café and hair dressers attached. The current businesses work social hours and do not currently do not directly cause any disturbance to the neighboring properties and I would like this to continue.

I would not object if the license was limited to provided alcohol with food in a restaurant type environment and the hours limited to 11 pm and live music was removed from the application.

Yours Faithfully

Geoffrey Litton