

Licensing Sub-Committee

Appendix 3 - Representations



Mr and Mrs J. Radley
48 Wennington Road
Rainham
Essex
RM13 9UB

28th June 2012

Your Ref: PPC/011792

Licensing Act 2003 – Premises Licence Application

Rainham Post Office/Conv Store, 77-79 Wennington Road, Rainham, RM13 9TH

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to let you know our views and comments re: - the application for an alcohol licence for the above property. We are totally against the application being granted, there are enough off licences and shops already in Rainham selling alcohol, Tesco Superstore is just down the road, and the youths congregate around those areas of an evening, we often get the said youths walking home along our road, and they are very loud and often throw their empty cans of beer in our gardens. We do not want groups of yobs congregating on our doorstep and causing menacing behaviour, and there are no parking facilities there. Also I have been informed that the owner of the premises will be selling up in about 6 months time, so it's obvious that the licence being applied for is for profiteering for when the property is sold.

It will be a shame, if in this residential area, it becomes a local hangout for yobs to cause a nuisance.

Yours faithfully

Mrs A Radley

Mr J Radley

Paul Campbell

From: Licensing
Sent: 11 July 2012 08:56
To: Paul Campbell
Subject: FW: Objection to the issue of a License to Rainham Post Office, 77-79 Wennington Road, Rainham

Categories: sub committee

From: Jo Till [mailto:jotill303@yahoo.co.uk]
Sent: 10 July 2012 19:22
To: Licensing
Subject: RE: Objection to the issue of a License to Rainham Post Office, 77-79 Wennington Road, Rainham

Dear Sir/Madam,

I write in response to your correspondence regarding the issuing of a License to Sell Intoxicating Liquor from Rainham Post Office, 77-79 Wennington Road, Rainham. I live at number 71 Wennington Road and feel strongly that an off licence would not serve my street well for the following reasons:

1. It will increase crime and nuisance caused by youths hanging around in the street either trying to buy alcohol or being sold it.
2. This in turn will provide a nuisance to people who already live on the street, many in the immediate vicinity of the shop have young children (myself being one) or are elderly (the lady who lives adjacent to the post office is 85 and the noise alone for the proposed closing time of 10 pm is frankly appalling and something she should not have to contend with in her advancing years).
3. We already have three off licences in the immediate area, two being located further down Wennington Road itself and one in Rainham Village, as well as a main supermarket (Tesco) selling alcohol. A further off license will only encourage the drink culture that seems to be prevalent in our society today and which the government seems keen to crack down on.

This will not add value to the lives of the people living on this street, indeed the proprietor and his wife do not actually live in the area so cannot understand how this will bring the area down and whilst I have no objection to them running their business and have used the services that they currently provide, I strongly object to the extension of their opening hours and to them being allowed to sell alcohol from their premises.

I hope that you will not grant this license as I and my fellow neighbours wholeheartedly oppose it.

Yours sincerely

Joanne Till
Resident 71, Wennington Road,
Rainham,
Essex
Rm13 9TH

Paul Campbell

From: Licensing
Sent: 19 July 2012 09:29
To: Paul Campbell
Subject: FW: Premises Licence Application REF: PPC/011792 - Objection

52 WENNINGTON ROAD RM13 9UB

From: mark appleby [mailto:mark_appleby@hotmail.co.uk]
Sent: 18 July 2012 22:33
To: Licensing
Subject: Premises Licence Application REF: PPC/011792 - Objection

Dear Mr. Campbell,

I am writing to you with reference to the recent Premises Licence Application made by the Rainham Post Office/Convenience Store, 77-79 Wennington Road Rainham RM13 9TH with reference PPC/011792.

I strongly believe we do not need yet another alcohol selling premise the local area. In Wennington Road there are already 2 existing premises selling heavily discounted/cheap alcoholic beverages. One of these outlets is within a 2 minute walk from the Post Office which surely raises the question, why do we need another?

The Government as you probably already know have a 'Alcohol Strategy 2012' that sets out a plan to reduce binge-drinking in a bid to drive down crime and tackle health issues as well as control the density of licensed premises. I believe by allowing/granting a license for the Post Office to sell alcohol this will be working against Government initiatives.(Website link below).

I also believe that serving alcohol at the Post Office will add to congestion in Wennington Road as it is already difficult for residence to park most days due to parked cars of users of the shop & Post Office. This problem becomes far worse towards the end of the month/start of the following month due to people buying Car Tax from the Post Office. Every month this extra volume of customers results in people parking on the opposite side of the road despite there being parking restrictions in place. This extra volume of traffic & parked cars increases the risk of accidents to local residences & their families. We currently 'suffer' the extra volume of traffic/parking under the current trading of the premises without the addition of a granted licence and extended opening hours.

Finally I would also like to highlight that already in Rainham there are a high number of reported Anti Social Behaviour concerns as seen on the Met Police Website (Website link below). By granting another licence, I am sure we will see (as with other similar local licensed premises) youths being attracted. I fully understand and believe the owners will not serve underage customers but for some reason any late night open shop attracts unwanted attention. I am curious to know what preventative actions will be put in place to prevent this if the licence is granted.

I hope the need for my objection to this licence application is understood and not seen as any form of negative personal feelings towards the Post Office or the owners. About 3 months ago my wife contacted the police as the shop had not been closed (shutters open/door on latch) one Sunday evening with fears for concern for the owner, thankfully everyone was ok & the shop was not lock/secured in error. We often have externally checked on the premises if abnormal noise are heard (youths bouncing off of the shutters, alarm going off during the night etc) because we care about our neighborhood.

I would be grateful if you would acknowledge receipt of this email by return.

Kind Regards,

Mark Appleby

From: Licensing
Sent: 17 July 2012 14:16
To: Paul Campbell
Subject: FW: 77 Wennington Rd, Rainham. Off Licence Application

From: tracy foreman [mailto:tdc.foreman@ntlworld.com]
Sent: 17 July 2012 11:55
To: Licensing
Subject: 77 Wennington Rd, Rainham. Off Licence Application

To the Licensing Authority (London Borough of Havering)

**RE – Application for Premises Licence – Licensing Act 2003
77-79 Wennington Road, Rainham, RM13 9TH**

Dear Sir or Madam,

As a resident of Wennington Road, Rainham, living in very close proximity to the above premises, I would like to express my concern as to the impact on the area if you were to grant this licence for the sale of alcohol off premises.

My concerns firstly are as to the number of licensed premises that are already in and around Rainham Village.

There is an off licence further up Wennington Road and another in Upminster Road South in Rainham village. Tesco's serves off premises alcohol 24 hours a day. There are also the 3 pubs and 2 social clubs in the village which serve alcohol. For a village of this size I would have thought that would be sufficient alcohol outlets to serve this area.

Due to the intention to serve alcohol up to 10pm I also have concerns about the potential increase in human and vehicle traffic and the increase in noise and anti social behaviour in the area in the evenings.

Over the years we have lived here, it is a regular sight to see people and in particular youths walking around the streets consuming alcohol purchased from off premises outlets, and the social problems this has caused for residents and the local police.

When considering this application will your decision be based on your own Licensing Strategy?

Will it reduce alcohol consumption?
Will it reduce alcohol-related violent crime?
Will it promote responsible drinking?
Will it tackle binge drinking?
Will it create a balance between business and residential communities?

I believe the only answer you can have for all these questions is a definite No.

We have been customers at this shop for many years and in no way have anything against Mr & Mrs Singh, who have always been very obliging and helpful. They are a well liked couple in the area and their shop and post office provide a very valuable service and though I do not wish to hinder their ability

to make a living, if this licence is granted it will lead to more problems and anti social behaviour which we the local residents and the police will have to deal with.

I hope this email is sufficient for me to lodge my views on this application. If necessary I can provide a paper copy if you require one.

Yours sincerely

Mr & Mrs T Foreman
38 Wennington Road
Rainham, RM13 9UB
Tel 01708 708505

July 3rd 2012

REF: PPC/011792

75, Wennington Rd

Rainham

Essex

13 JUL 2012
R/1713-9TH

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter of 21 June 2012.

I am writing in reply to the request for a Licence to the premises in 77-79 Wennington Rd. As you can see I live right next door.

Therefore I must say no to this application.

As we have unravenny characters around here I feel it could cause a Public Nuisance in the area.

I am nearly 90yrs old + feel quite unhappy about the situation

Yours faithfully

Mrs E Kendrick

Paul Campbell

From: Licensing
Sent: 09 July 2012 11:32
To: Paul Campbell
Subject: FW: ppc/011792

Categories: sub committee

From: MELSFURN@aol.com [mailto:MELSFURN@aol.com]
Sent: 09 July 2012 11:22
To: Licensing
Subject: ppc/011792

Dear Mr Campbell,

I am writing regarding the Licensing application PPC/011792
for the premises
77-79 Wennington Road
Rainham Essex RM13 9TH

The above property is next door to my mothers house and home at 75 Wennington road Rainham Essex.

My mother has been a resident and owner for some 50 years and her age is 91 next Birthday I am sure you will appreciate her worry and concerns that comes with alcohol being sold so close to dwelling.
Her concerns are over the increase in opening times and the this kind of groups of people this type of retail premise can become an attraction, it could cause noisy loud and abusive behaviour from groups of youths.
Very frightening for a 91 year old lady living on her own.

Rainham, already suffers from groups of youths with the intent on causing misery for residents.
I am sure you will appreciate her concerns and no guarantee can be assured by the council for the safe keeping of my mother, I would like to think this application can be turned down for the best of the Rainham community and the quality of life for my Mother.

I would appreciate you comment your letter mentions 4 particular points. Prevention of crime and disorder, the prevention of public nuisance, public safety, protection of the children from harm.
I am sure that these factors are important to yourself and Havering council and to my mother and her quality of life and safe keeping.

My Mother has already written to you in her own hand and the letter was addressed to yourself.

Please feel free to write to Melvyn Kendrick 4 Barleycorn Way Hornchurch Essex RM11 3JJ
Or my email melsfurn@aol.com

Your faithfully

Melvyn Kendrick
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From: Licensing
Sent: 20 July 2012 08:53
To: Paul Campbell
Subject: FW: Licensing Act 2003 - Premises Licence Application

From: sarah attawia [mailto:sarah.attawia@hotmail.co.uk]
Sent: 19 July 2012 21:41
To: Licensing
Subject: Licensing Act 2003 - Premises Licence Application

Reference: PPC/011792

To whom this may concern

PREMISES LICENCE APPLICATION
RAINHAM POST OFFICE/CONV STORE, 77-79 WENNINGTON ROAD, RAINHA, RM13 9TH

I am setting out my objections to the application to sell alcohol at the said address. my objections are as followed:

- I believe that it will attract unsavoury characters as the hours will change to sell the alcohol
- I also feel there is more than enough locations where you can purchase alcohol on Wennington Road and Uppminster Road South
- I feel that the sell of alcohol on this premises will make significant change to our quiet environment to being busy which is not wanted.

I hope you take are issues of concerns into consideration and look forward to your correspondence.

Paul Attawia
54 Wennington Road
Rainham
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RM13 9UB