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Dear Mr Hunt

RE: Application for premises licence: 123 Mawney Road RM7 7BH Ref: AGH/12514

I am writing to object to the above application. My objectives relate to the prevention of public nuisance, prevention of crime, and public safety.

My neighbours and myself are aware that the Albay Food and Wine, 123 Mawney Road have applied to extend the selling of alcohol from 8.00am in the morning, as well as extending opening hours to 11.00pm from Monday to Thursday, and extend the hours to 12.00am on Thursday Friday and Saturday.

I have already been disturbed for some time by Albay Food and Wine from the shop opening its door from 6.45am. In addition, this disturbance has been increased by the shop installing metal shutters on the front of the shop that are very noisy when removing them and pulling them down in the evening, disturbing the sleep of my family; a public nuisance.

Furthermore, the shop already attracts young drinkers that accumulate outside the shop and sit in the bus shelter. Their presence would be extend and increase further concern of possible disorder, public nuisance and crime. In addition, I am concerned of youths being provided with the facility to have further access to alcohol, and support to increase their alcohol consumption, as well as the detrimental affect alcohol can employ, such as making wrong choices; by becoming a public nuisance, and possible causing crime and disorder; thus disturbing myself and other, affecting public safety of those in close proximately.

The extension of the selling of alcohol, and extending licensing hours would attract and support those with a drinking problem, which could cause public nuisance and be detrimental to the environment and the community. Moreover, it could be argued that it is unethical for the community and the council to support and approve this application.

Yours sincerely

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The Licensing Team London Borough of Havering.

Dear Sir / Madam,

Albay Food & Wine, 123 Mawney Road, Romford, Essex RM7 7BH

I wish to object to the application to vary the Premises Licence for Albay Food & Wine,123 Mawney Road, Romford. The application is to extend the sale of alcohol until midnight Thursday to Saturday.

I am writing as a resident of the area.

I object under all four of the Licensing Objectives and due to the fact that the premises is located within a primarily residential area.

This off licence will become just another magnet for people wanting to buy alcohol later on those nights more than likely having also consumed enough so as to be intoxicated. This will lead to more noise nuisance, littering with empty cans and broken bottles, urination, criminal damage and general Anti Social Behaviour.

Mawney Road is already a transitory route for people returning from Romford and elsewhere often when drunk late at night and Albay will be another place to buy a drink for en route and for home. This could result in increased domestic violence.

I believe the off licence was subject to a Review some years ago following a failed test purchase(s) in which alcohol was sold to underage volunteers. Given that it is generally accepted that a failed test purchase is indicative of further undetected underage sales this is a serious issue when an off licence is involved.

The sale of alcohol to underage persons is a matter of serious concern in England and we frequently read the alarming figures involving teenagers with serious alcohol related problems including dependency and illnesses including cirrhosis of the liver a usually fatal illness. The seriousness with which the Government take the situation is reflected in the fact that the penalty for persistent selling of alcohol to underage persons is now a £20000 fine (persistent selling being defined as 2 offences within 3 months) and that the Section 182 Guidance under the Licensing Act says some matters are so serious that on a Review serious consideration should be given to revocation even on a first occasion.

At Part P the Operating Schedule there is no mention of any staff training whether on induction or refresher training, no mention of a personal licence holder being on duty late at night to ensure effective management control. There is no mention of notices being displayed to state Challenge 25 is in force or mention of steps to deter proxy sales. Premises Licence to ensure the robust promotion of the Licensing Objectives of Prevention of Harm to Children and Prevention of Crime and Disorder.

I urge the Licensing Sub Committee to reject the application in its entirety for the reasons

given but if they are minded to grant to impose robust conditions to prevent underage sales, anti social behaviour and public nuisance.

Yours faithfully,

Graham Hopkins

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