
Rasa Food&Wine , 20 Station Lane Hornchurch (objection)

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To Licensing <Licensing@haverling.gov.uk>

Dear :licensing officer

Please see my attached objection letter and consider my concerns about this application to be rejected.

Kind regards

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Formal Objection to the Premises Licence Application,
Rasa Food & Wine, 20 Station Lane, Hornchurch, RM12 6NJ

Dear Licencing Team,

I am writing to object to the premises licence application for Rasa Food & Wine at 20 Station Lane. I live only around ten metres away and I walk past this area every day. I have recently learned that I am pregnant, so the environment around my home matters even more for my health and safety.

At the moment, the area outside Suttons Pub and the nearby benches is already a busy and sometimes uncomfortable spot. Groups often gather to smoke, vape, or drink, and I frequently have to pass through clouds of smoke or walk around people who are clearly intoxicated. As someone expecting a baby, this causes me stress and real concern. When it gets dark, the atmosphere can feel intimidating, and I often hurry home because of it. Adding another place selling alcohol so close to my home would only make this situation worse.

When I get off the bus after work, I regularly see broken glass, cigarette ends, and discarded vapes scattered around the pavement. This is already unpleasant and unsafe, and the idea of even more people buying alcohol in this exact location is worrying. The area is already struggling with the behaviour that comes with late-night drinking, and another off-licence will simply push the environment further in the wrong direction.

Before this application, there used to be a charity shop in that unit, which genuinely added value to Hornchurch High Street. Shops like that support different parts of the community, create a positive atmosphere, and reflect the kind of businesses many residents would like to see more of. It is disappointing that instead of choosing something useful and beneficial to the public, we are now faced with a proposal that is likely to bring more harm than good. Hornchurch should aim to remain a bright, welcoming town centre—not turn into another Romford, which many residents already avoid because of similar issues.

There are already several off-licences within a very short distance of this site. It is hard to see why we need another one, especially when the area is already dealing with noise, litter, disorder, and groups gathering late in the evening. A new alcohol licence will not offer anything new or positive to the community; it will only add to the existing problems and make life more difficult for residents, particularly those living right beside the premises.

For all these reasons, I strongly ask the Licensing Committee to refuse this application in order to protect the wellbeing and safety of those who live here.

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