

Appendix 6

25/07/05

15 Caldwell Rd.
Linton
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To: Mr. Carl Jacobs

Dear Mr. Jacobs

Thank you for the information re the "revised" opening hours submitted for the Square and Compass at Linton.

In my opinion these proposals are still entirely unsuitable for these premises in what, is a residential area, in particularly for Sunday to Thursday.

The licensee must realise that 0030 closing will mean people leaving the "pub" at least until 0100hrs. Some of us have to be up for work less than 6 hours after this time!

Would they like being disturbed 7 days a week at this sort of time and later!

I also note that no concession has been made on entertainment, they still seem to think that 7 days a week is acceptable, it is not!

Some 4 - 5 years ago, when the "pub" was renovated these same sort of excessive hours were asked for by the licensee. Similar objections were lodged as now and the current hours were granted. Why, after several years with little problem, are these existing hours no longer adequate?

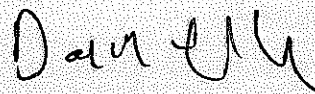
It is totally ridiculous to try and run this sort of entertainment at this type of premise for the times that they propose. If they want night clubs they should invest in clubs and not "a quiet country public house in a residential area"

My reasons for objecting remain the same. ie. noise off all types, increased traffic and unruly behaviour leading to a reduction in the quality of life to the residents of Caldwell Rd.

These things are unacceptable at any time but why should we have to suffer them for even more hours than at present.

Yours Faithfully

D.M.Lindley



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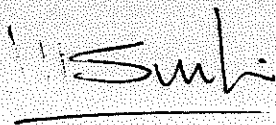
Dear Mr Jacobs

Re: The Square & Compass, Caldwell Road, Linton

Having experienced yet another unacceptably rowdy weekend, culminating yesterday (Sunday) with four police cars attending a fight at 11pm, we wish to record our total opposition to any extension to licencing and music hours that may be applied for as a result of new legislation.

We, the residents, trust that any new licence being considered will be advised to us before ratification and allow us to object as necessary.

Yours faithfully,

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J.H. Swift

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25th July 2005

Dear Mr Jacobs

Square and Compass - Linton

Your letter of 5th July is noted; our subsequent telephone conversation confirmed that you have accepted our objection to any new licensing application from the above that exceeds the agreement reached on 26th November 2002 between yourselves and the then tenant.

You have my complaints and observations dating from June 1989 (Wiseman) when we all went through hell and back in a similar way to how things are shaping up with the latest tenants. Then it was the Lewis's who held the licence, the matter only being resolved by the intervention of the Parish Council and Marstons brewery.

You do not differentiate between entertainment and opening hours. You leave us to assume that the two are the same. Since the premises are being promoted as a nightclub on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, with mini-coaches arriving for the live entertainment, the resulting public nuisance is severe both during and after hours. Since we live directly opposite we bear the brunt of the inconvenience enumerated as follows:

- **Noise** Unbearable at times. Doors and windows left open. Excessive use of amplification. Rowdiness, swearing, fights, drunkenness, car horns blaring from customers and taxis long after closing.
None of us can leave our windows open and we feel under siege at weekends when we cannot enjoy the comfort of our own homes.

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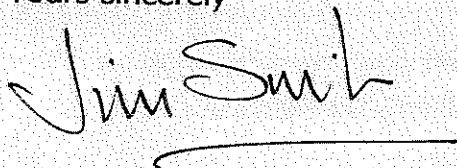
- **Public Safety.** Cars leaving the premises do so at high speed and with a great deal of noise. At times they return and do it again with the accompanying shouting and apparent drunkenness.
- **Premises.** We have argued incessantly that the premises are not suitable for the type of excessive entertainment being applied. The building is old and situated 60 feet away from residential buildings; in itself not a problem until used for purposes it wasn't designed for. The main entrance is at the front allowing noise to burst out every time the door is opened. Although there are two doors the outside door is always open.

Martin Linley has passed on to us all the revised application details. My wife and I are totally against any deviation from existing licensing since the existing tenants show no consideration for residents, nor any desire to control their premises. Secondly, whereas the turnover of tenants is extreme and the present incumbents may up and move away, we do not feel it appropriate that the carte blanche should be continued naturally to new incumbents.

It is ludicrous that we are being asked to approve hours that will add to our misery by extending the noise duration from those existing (bad enough) into the following day when many have to be up for work.

The new hours applied for are not acceptable and we would expect that our objections, and those now arising from other residents, are given due respect.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Jim Swift', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jim Swift

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24th July 2005

Dear Sir

Objection to the Extended Licensing Hours
Ref Square & Compass

Further to the recent form submitted to your office it seems that the objections made by local residents to the extended licensing hours of the Square and Compass Public House have gone unheard.

The amount of 'yob behaviour' that we local residents have to put up with is no longer acceptable, indeed the Government and Police have stated that this type of behaviour should not have to be tolerated by anyone any longer, *but perhaps the licensing laws and licensed premises are exempt.*

By 'yob behaviour' I mean:

Foul language by patrons both inside and outside using the PH during opening hours
Patrons urinating along the front fence (day time) instead of using the WC provided
Shouting in the early hours of the morning as patrons leave the premises
Loud music on almost every night of the week
Under-age persons drinking

The Police have attended this public house on a number of occasions but don't seem interested in sorting any of the problems out, perhaps the Police incident logs could be checked to look further into the real problems being encountered by close residents. I, for one, will contact the Police and /or Council on each occasion that I am overly disturbed by the noise coming from the premises.

Local residents have spoken to the licensee but she does not take any action to reduce the noise or nuisance caused.

The extended opening hours will be strongly opposed by us, as the closest residents, and I will be taking our opposition up with Local Councillors and the local senior Police officer should they go ahead without any further consultation.

Yours faithfully,


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26 July 2005

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Dear Sirs

Square and Compass, Cauldwell Road, Linton

We note that the above has applied for extended licensing hours, and we wish to make our objections known to you.

An objection was also made four years ago when the hours now existing were agreed. This has worked well until recently, with very little trouble or inconvenience to anyone. However, for the past few months we have suffered an increasing degree of noise until the early hours of the morning at weekends. We have had fights and rowdy behaviour until past 01.00 on Saturdays and Sundays, with foul language, broken glass from bottles thrown into the garden, excessive revving of car engines and hooting of horns. In short the laws are being flouted now, must we expect more of the same seven nights a week?

Linton is a village and the Square and Compass is in a residential area. Surely there is absolutely no reason why a pub in this situation should be open until past midnight every night of the week, or why those of us living locally should have our peace assaulted by drunken unruly behaviour even more than we do now.

Yours faithfully



David James Butler



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Ref: Square & Compass Public house, Linton.

Dear Mr Jacobs,

Following our recent petition in opposition to the proposed **extended** licensing hours for the Square & Compass Public house, Linton.

We read with both disappointment and disgust the revised list of **agreed** hours of opening:

MONDAY – THURSDAY SALE OF ALCOHOL UNTIL 00.00 – OPEN UNTIL 00.30
(½ HOUR DRINKING UP TIME)

FRIDAY – SATURDAY SALE OF ALCOHOL UNTIL 01.00 – OPEN UNTIL 01.30
(½ HOUR DRINKING UP TIME)

SUNDAY SALE OF ALCOHOL UNTIL 11.30 – OPEN UNTIL 00.00
(½ HOUR DRINKING UP TIME)

The above amendment from the original application is no compromise at all and is nothing more than an insult to the local residents who have to suffer the continual nuisance caused by this poorly run establishment and the clientele who frequent it.

Since my last letter of opposition we have had to witness youths leaving the pub late at night and watch them urinate in the conifer trees opposite our property, continually suffer foul language coming from the pub garden, and during the week put up with loud music until closing time on more than one occasion.

My next-door neighbour Mrs Maureen potter, who is presently on holiday has recently witnessed youths from the pub drinking and sitting on her garden wall during early hours of the morning, this is a very frightening and unnerving experience for a pensioner.

This is totally unacceptable for people like ourselves who have to be up very early to go to work, unlike most of the pubs clientele who have to be up later for **school or are unemployed!**

I also find it hard to believe that no police activity is ever present and would suggest that a few random raids to sort out the under age drinkers and the ongoing traffic nuisance reported in my last letter be implemented sooner rather than later.

To conclude we live in the countryside in order to enjoy it's peace and tranquillity, the song of our garden birds has now been replaced by unwanted music and noise coming from the pub, this in it's self should be classed as noise pollution and the hours of entertainment and opening be restricted.


Once again the question has to be asked if the present licensee wants to run a nightclub would it not be more sensible for her to get a pub in town?

We now feel that our property is presently being greatly devalued by this establishment and would like to apply to the council for a large reduction of council tax, and should these hours of opening be granted we will be forming a protest committee and approaching the local residents and advising them to do the same.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr S E & Mrs G O Sharratt.

MR S E Sharratt.......... Date: 24/7/05.....

Mrs G O Sharratt.......... Date: 24/7/05.....