From:

Carole Cockburn

Sent:

Sunday 21 May 2017 11:16

To:

Licensing Policy

Subject:

RE: Licensing Act 2003 - Application



Dear Kate

Please may I register a formal objection to this application on behalf of local residents on the grounds of noise nuisance and possible light pollution.

With best regards

Carole Cockburn

From: Kate Halsall on behalf of Licensing Policy

Sent: 11 May 2017 15:43 To: All Councillors Email Group

Subject: Licensing Act 2003 - Application

Dear Sir/Madam

An application has been received for a variation of premises licence. The application is for Films 11:00-23:00 Monday to Saturday and 12:22:30 Sunday and addition of New Year's Eve until 03:00 on New Year's Day; Live music - addition of New Year's Eve until 03:00 on New Year's Day; Recorded music 11:00-23:00 Monday to Saturday and 12:00-22:30 Sunday and addition of New Year's Eve until 03:00 on New Year's Day; On and off sales of alcohol addition of New Year's Eve until 03:00 on New Year's Day and Opening hours – addition of New Year's Eve until 03:30 on New Year's Day. All the above to have - An additional hour from the end of permitted hours on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day. An additional hour from the end of permitted hours on every Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday for each Bank Holiday weekend (Easter, May, Whitsun and August). An additional hour to be permitted on the day preceding a Friday Bank Holiday or Public Holiday. Removal of conditions "One or two piece bands only on a maximum of 12 occasions per year."; "Limited by condition at hearing to 12 occasions per year, subject to 10 working days notice (minimum) to Surrey Police, with the Police having absolute right to veto."; "No recorded music shall be permitted, including karaoke and disco."; "Live music events shall be limited to 12 occasions per year subject to 10 working days notice to Surrey Police and giving Police absolute veto on all occasions." and all Embedded Restrictions under Annexe 2. If you would like to make comment or representation on this application, the last date for representations is 8th June 2017. All correspondence in relation to this application or if you have any queries in respect of this application, please do not hesitate to contact this office via email to licensing@waverley.gov.uk<mailto:licensing@waverley.gov.uk>.

Premises

Application Type

Address

Applicant

The Fox

Variation

21 Frensham Road, Lower Bourne, Farnham

Greene King Retailing Ltd

Please note that the Monday to Sunday hours for Live music, On and off sales of alcohol and Opening hours remain as on the current licence.

## Paul Hughes

From:

Sent:

Wednesday 24 May 2017 22:28

To:

Paul Hughes

Cc:

Carole Cockburn; Martin Lear

Subject:

The Fox - Farnham - Licencing application

Attachments:

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Importance:

High

Dear Paul.

I understand that you are the manager of the licensing section at Waverley and the appropriate person to contact in respect of the Fox.

As I am sure you know there is a planning application in process but when the Fox owners held two public meetings they assured all the locals present that there was NOT going to be any change to the licence and definitely not going to be any live music.

Today however I have returned from overseas and note a flyer publicising the Fox through my door stating "look out for live music events in the evening throughout the summer" and I have also now seen the attached posted on the pub windows.

I must confess to feeling betrayed by the owners when they gave us their word in a public meeting that this was not going to happen and as a result many locals (who would otherwise have lodged objections) have not.

As no doubt you are aware several years ago the Fox was the subject of ongoing complaints over noise and nuisance and as a result the current restrictions were put in place. It would be a total travesty if these current restrictions were relaxed in any way especially since the owners gave public undertakings that they would not be altered.

I urge that no permission is granted for either music nor any outside activity after 9pm each evening (as per the original comments from your own Environmental team) and that the current restrictions on operating hours be fully maintained since these were put in place following a long period of complaints, since when (apart from car parking issues) there have been no complaints at all. The Bourn is a quiet village location with families and elderly people living in close proximity to what has been until now a quiet local pub. No-one wants to return to the time when there are almost weekly complaints about the premise. The current plans are turning it into somewhere more suited to a town centre / night life area and completely contrary to the "family friendly neighbourhood pub" the owners promised us.

Kind regards,

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Tuesday 30 May 2017 10:20

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: The Fox - serious incidents - request for Temporary Stop Order

Attachments:

May 26 2017 - Blocked pavement 1.jpg; May 26 - Blocked pavement 2.jpg; May 29 2017 - Car parking 1.jpg; May 29 2017 - Car parking 3.jpg; May 29 2017 - Car Parking 4.jpg; May 29 2017 - Car Parking 6.jpg; May 29 2017 - Car Parking 7.jpg; Fw. FOX LICENCE APPLICATION; May 29 - Live music outdoors 2.jpg; May 29 2017 - Building Materials in active childrens play area

- Copy.jpg

Sent with Good (www.good.com)

----Original Message----

From

Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 01:18 AM GMT Standard Time

To:

Planning Enforcement; highways@surreycc.gov.uk; Paul Hughes

Ce:

Subject: The Fox - serious incidents - request for Temporary Stop Order

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Dear all,

I am writing following a series of incidents over the last few days which I believe need addressing URGENTLY.

As you are no doubt aware the owners and developers of the Fox have gone ahead with significant construction and landscaping work without awaiting the results of planning approval. Over the last few days much hard landscaping has now been completed and most of the "cabanas" have been erected as I say without awaiting the planning permission and without awaiting any conditions or issues associated with Flood Risk Assessment which might require the hard landscaping or buildings to be reduced or eliminated from the plan. On this while the Fox has previously denied that there has ever been a build-up of surface water run off in the Car Park there was on one day in the last few weeks when a significant build up of water in precisely the place I have previously advised happened. This has actually been advised to me by Marshall Eaton this weekend so they can no longer deny that this occurs nor can they continue to maintain that what they have already done eliminates it and that there is no risk. Fortunately on this occasion the rain storm was not severe so the water did not overflow the site boundaries and Stream Farm Close and neighbouring properties were, on this occasion, not affected but this just shows that this CAN and DOES happen so I remain convinced (as do my ex colleagues from the EA and Met Office) that a full Sustainable Drainage System assessment needs to be completed and a SUDS system installed in the car park and that NO hard landscaping or buildings should be allowed on what was the original garden since this INCREASES the impermeable surface and INCREASES surface water run off.

Incidents:

- 1. Construction and hard landscaping on the site has continued including the installation of new buildings (the cabanas). While the Fox denies that these "cabanas" require planning permission as they are simple "sheds" since they are outbuildings within the curtilage of a listed building and are now being used for commercial purposes then I believe that they do. They are also clearly visible from the public highway and out of keeping with the Bourne "village" style and some at least appear to be within 2 metres of the curtilage and yet in excess of 2.5 metres high (although I have not personally measured them) which I understand is another occasion when planning permission is required. In addition these buildings INCREASE the impermeable area of the site so INCREASE the flood risk from site water run off (see above).
- 2. The pavement and bus stop have been blocked on several occasions with building materials and construction vehicles (see photos) and one local resident who is wheelchair bound was told to go into the road by construction workers who would not remove building materials which were blocking the pavement (I attach an email from her which she copied to me as evidence of said). This is specifically placing the life of a disabled person at risk and is surely totally unacceptable. Several others including myself (and I am the holder of a disabled bus pass) have been unable to use the bus stop now for several weeks.
- 3. The police have been called on more than one occasion and attended the site on 25<sup>th</sup> to deal with obstructing construction vehicles on the highway (bus stop).
- 4. On Monday 29th a "launch event" was held in the garden and the cabanas despite there being no planning permission for these. Live music was also played outdoors in direct contravention of their extant licence which allows live music INDOORS ONLY and limited to 12 occasions per annum and only with prior police permission. (I have a video recording of this but the file is too large for me to email but Carole has seen it.) The garden is also still in part a construction site with construction equipment and materials around yet children and families were being allowed on Monday to play next to building materials which remained within the designated children's play area (see photo). The local residential roads were full to overflowing with customer vehicles and there was no sign of the Fox much vaunted "parking plan" in action with vehicles parked on the roadside verges and blocking site lines for the entrance and exit from Stream Farm Close and Fox Road. The access to my own property was obstructed for several hours. These events were witnessed by a number of persons including some by Carole Cockburn. At one stage one of the Directors even came up to us when we were in the street and asked us to stop making so much noise (we were only talking) - and this when they were the ones playing live music without a licence!! In addition earlier this month a film was shown at the Fox once again without a licence - this was openly stated by one for the directors in front of Carole, myself and others. I believe that these are all significant breaches of either planning and / or licence conditions. In addition in my opinion this not only shows the owners clear contempt for due process but also the law and I ask that enforcement action is taken as well the tightest possible constraints being placed on any planning permission and /or licence which may eventually be granted.

It appears that the developers are simply ignoring everything and everyone and are even now commercially utilising a partially finished the site before planning approval and before the licencing has been determined.

Please register this as yet another formal complaint with both enforcement and highways and I beg that some action is taken this time which has teeth. I would ask that you issue a "Temporary Stop Notice" since this does not require an enforcement notice and within 28 days the planning application will have then been determined and conditions set but it is unfair and unreasonable that work that is destroying the amenity of the area should continue in advance of this and that buildings (the cabanas) which require planning permission are now already in use. I believe that this is proportionate as 1) Given the pavement and bus stop (highway) blockages are continuing then highway safety is being compromised and lives especially of handicapped residents are

being placed at risk, 2) The cabanas are now in use when they require planning permission which has not been granted and 3) the Flood risk has been shown to still exist and any further construction work prior to a further assessment can only increase the risk to neighbours' properties and the highway. I would also ask that no activities which are not permitted under the extant licence are allowed – eg NO outdoor music which was present on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> and NO films which were also shown earlier this month (the Fox does NOT have a licence for films at present). Lastly given that the Fox is still an "active building site" I would have thought that it should be subject to an HSE inspection (or Local Authority Equivalent) before the public are allowed to access and use it (particularly the garden area). As stated above on Monday children could been seen playing adjacent to building materials.

Regards,

Encl:

Blocked pavement photos Various parking photos

Copy of wheelchair user email & Representation

Photo of live outdoor music (I also have a video recording but the file it too large to email)

Building materials in "in use" children's play area

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Tuesday 30 May 2017 10:17

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: FOX LICENCE APPLICATION

Sent with Good (www.good.com)

----Original Message----

From:

Sent: Saturday, May 27, 2017 11:04 AM GMT Standard Time

To: Paul Hughes

Subject: FOX LICENCE APPLICATION



I am a Waverley tenent I hve lived in Fox road or several years, now I am a wear of the planning aplication that the fox pub have asked for I totaly disagree with all the alteration. These are my conserns plus as I am registered disabled how these are afecting me and will afect. They are consistently blocking the foot path with turf or sleepers or other things like a four by four and trailer. If this planning goess a head it will meen more traffic and cars being parked in fox road and surrounding areas. We all ready have issues with that . We all so have noise from costumers when they leave the pub late at night this will increase. I had an issue the other day when I went to go to our local shop in the bourne the path was blocked when I asked them to move the stuff I was told to go on the road being in a powerchair I would have had to go all the way up on the road which is a very busy road and I would not feel safe doing this I dont have lights or indicators im not insured to go on the road now if this planning goes ahead mine and other disabled or elderly s axcess to our local shops will be non exsistant becouse of danger to people. Also the noise levels from the pub have gone up considerably since we move to the area the last two yrs we are able to hear the music when they have dos on . And they do not respect any residents in the area. We should be able to sit in our gardens or homes with windows open and still be able to hear our music or tv on alot of acations we cant do this as there music is so loud. I dont think it is right they have already started to the work. Also can I say we had an issue yesturday 26/6 when customers for the pub parked so close to our motabilty motor which has stickers on saying allow wheelchair access pluss they were in the disabled bay when there was no need to park in fox road as pub car park had parking spaces. So if this goes ahead. The noise levels will rise. More cars and no spaces so park in near by streets. Plus more drink drives. Please take this in to consideration thank you yours sincerely

Sent from Huawei MediaPad

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Tuesday 30 May 2017 10:17

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: Fox licence application objection. Prevention of public nuisance

Sent with Good (www.good.com)

----Original Message----

From:

Sent: Saturday, May 27, 2017 03:40 PM GMT Standard Time

To: Paul Hughes

Cc:

Subject: Fox licence application objection. Prevention of public nuisance

Sent from my iPad

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Tuesday 30 May 2017 10:18

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: Licencing Application for The Fox Pub

Sent with Good (www.good.com)

----Original Message----

From:

Sent: Sunday, May 28, 2017 05:58 PM GMT Standard Time

To: Paul Hughes

Cc: carole.cockburn@waverley.gov.uk; martin.beard@waverley.gov.uk; wyattramsdale21@aol.com

Subject: Licencing Application for The Fox Pub

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The Licencing Authority, Waverley Borough Council

I wish to object in the strongest possible terms to the new Licence applied for by the owners of The Fox Pub in Lower Bourne, Farnham. This is a residential area and the proposal will inevitably cause a considerable public nuisance to people living in Lower Bourne.

I am no killjoy and the new owners have my best wishes for running a successful pub business. However, plonking a 'mini-disneyland' in Lower Bourne is totally unacceptable.

All noise activity generated — whether live or recorded, be it music or film or tv — should be allowed ONLY indoors as the noise pollution from ANY outside broadcasting thrust upon the community will constitute a continual, constant public nuisance. I also believe that any extensions to the opening hours as applied for will exacerbate that nuisance.

I trust that the Licencing Authority will see sense in this matter and tone down the new proposals in a sensible manner to an acceptable level .... and thereafter see that the terms and conditions are enforced to the letter.

Regards

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Tuesday 30 May 2017 10:18

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: The Fox Pub - licence application OBJECTION

Sent with Good (www.good.com)

----Original Message----

From:

Sent: Sunday, May 28, 2017 11:07 PM GMT Standard Time

To: Paul Hughes

Subject: The Fox Pub - licence application OBJECTION

Dear Mr Hughes,



I am writing to object, in the strongest possible way, to the application by the new owners of The Fox Pub in Lower Bourne, Farnham, to change the current Licencing conditions. I am objecting on the grounds of **Public Nuisance** and **Public Safety.** 

I live at number — which directly next to the pub - sharing a border with it's car park and gardens. I am filled with horror at the thought of potentially having music and films EVERY night of the year until 11pm both inside and OUTSIDE the pub - and possibly later on many nights when they have extensions. Since the new owners have taken over the pub earlier this year I have already had to complain to them on three occasions about noise puisance.

As I'm sure you are aware, the pub has previously only been permitted to have 12 live music events per year, and then with only one or two players and this had to take indoors. The new application to allow live music on ANY day up till 11pm would be totally intolerable for me and my family.

There is also a particular quirk of the land contours in this area which means that noise seems to be funnelled along this valley causing a disturbance not just to me but to many others in the surrounding area. (This was very noticeable when The Bourne School created a new playground further down the valley). Any outside music, film sounds or outside events at The Fox will affect many homes in the area which has always prided itself on being on a tranquil and gentle environment for all.

My concerns about public safety in relation to the proposed new applications are that turning the pub into a regular party venue will increase the numbers of customers, which in turn will increase the numbers of cars in the area - with a greater risk of accidents. The turning into Stream Farm Close is already a tricky one. I myself was rear-ended in November 2015 when waiting on the main road to turn into the Close. My car was a right-off. The pub car park is already insufficient for the numbers of customers. More cars will mean more frustrated drivers, more inconsiderate (and possibly illegal) parking and a greater risk of accidents.

I am appealing to you to keep the Licencing conditions as they are - which seemed to suit everyone. The pub were able to hold events and to attract customers and the local residents continued to have the peace and quiet that they have enjoyed for many years.

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Tuesday 30 May 2017 10:18

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: Fox license application

Sent with Good (www.good.com)

----Original Message--

From:

Sent: Monday, May 29, 2017 05:02 PM GMT Standard Time

To: Paul Hughes

Subject: Fox license application

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Hi Paul

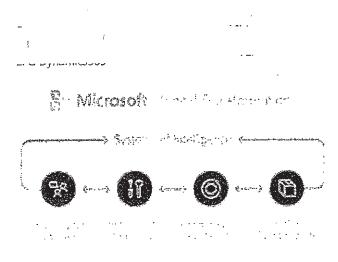
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directly behind the Fox garden.

I have not as yet objected to the plans as I understood them to be reasonable. I have to say that on the first day of opening the garden we appear to have had a series of live musicians playing in the top garden. The music is loud and comes straight through the garden and house. My daughter's bedroom backs onto the garden and she will not be able to sleep with windows open in the summer due to the noise.

I understood that music would be contained in the cabanas and music would be directed away from us. When there is live music in the open the sound bounces around the bourne which serves an acoustic bowl.

I have been reasonable about this but if this is what we have to put up with even before licensing has been granted then I am very concerned.



From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Tuesday 30 May 2017 10:19

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: Fox Pub Licence - potential breach of existing licence and Objection to new

licence application

Attachments:

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Sent with Good (www.good.com)

----Original Message----

From:

Sent: Monday, May 29, 2017 07:56 PM GMT Standard Time

To: Paul Hughes

Cc: Carole Cockburn; Martin Lear

Subject: Fox Pub Licence - potential breach of existing licence and Objection to new licence application

Dear Paul

I understand you are the person within Waverley I should write to, to object to amendments to the licence for the Fox pub in Lower Bourne?

If not, could you kindly advise to whom I should send my objections?

I would like to object on the basis of both Prevention of Public Nuisance and Prevention of Crime and Disorder

## Prevention of Public Nuisance:

- The existing licencing arrangements limit the number of live music events to 12 per year, indoors (one and two piece bands). I understand this restriction was put in place after numerous complaints about noise in the past, and should remain in place.
- The amendments to the licence application includes a request to show films outdoors. Unless these are silent films, the noise from the screens will impact the surrounding residential area and should be rejected in my opinion.
- The serving of food and drink outside should be time restricted to ensure there is no noise to the local residents after a reasonable hour, say 9pm.
- The overarching concerns I have are these licence amendments will result in a significant increase in customers, for longer hours and on all nights of the week car parking is already inadequate, as demonstrated by the Fox's grand opening event today where cars were parked the entire length of Stream Farm Close, rendering is a one way street with limited passing spaces. Cars were also obstructing the pavement, the grass verge next to the stream and the main road please see attached photos. The additional noise with customers returning to their cars will also cause a public nuisance.

The existing arrangements have preserved a reasonable balance between the needs of the fox and the local residents. Today's event has shown that the Fox's licence amendments will, in my view, significantly upset this balance and cause a public nuisance to local residents.

Prevention of Crime and disorder:

It is my belief that the Fox's licence amendments requested will result in a significant increase in the number of customers returning to their cars late at night on a more regular basis, and with the inadequate provision of parking on site to accommodate these additional customers, a lot of the those customers will park on stream farm close. It is my understanding that the police have previously been called out on a number of occasions to deal with anti-social behaviour of Fox customers, and I believe that the licence amendments will cause a significant increase in these problems.

Finally, I would like to point out that at the event at the pub today, I understand had a band playing outside. This seems to run contrary to their current licence arrangements and should be investigated.

Thank you for your kind attention

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Tuesday 30 May 2017 10:19

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: Fox license application - objection

Sent with Good (www.good.com)

----Original Message-----

From:

Sent: Monday, May 29, 2017 08:51 PM GMT Standard Time

To: Paul Hughes

Subject: Fox license application - objection



#### Dear Paul Hughes

I am writing to object to the major alteration to the licensing hours and activities at the Fox Pub. Having moved 2 years ago to this family friendly and quiet residential area I regret to say since opening the outdoor area at the Fox the street resembles more living near a London nightchub venue with its noise levels and parking and traffic chaos. I am writing this email on the May bank holiday and cars are parked all the way to the Close's roundabout. My objections are on two grounds:

## 1) Prevention of Public Nuisance

Extension of operating hours and change to the activities should not take place. The noise levels are already high and impacting families trying to get their children to sleep in the evening especially with the outdoor activities in the warm weather. Extending the operating hours for more outdoor and indoor activities is bound to worsen this situation. In addition any amplified outdoor activities such as films should be declined as it will also lead to unacceptable noise levels. Surely this venue with its 100% percent residential area is not suitable as a festival or open cinema location.

In addition a large influx of people for these events would lead to parking problems as onsite parking facilities are not adequate. This has already led to unsafe driving manoeuvres such as reversing down the road etc with cars being parked everywhere on the street making it very difficult for residents to leave and access their properties.

2) Prevention of crime and disorder

More events and later opening hours are likely to lead to an increased influx of people who will increase late night noise unbearable for the residents during the events and whilst parking their cars in the street.

In summary the application is not fit for a quiet total residential area and would place an unacceptable burden on the residents. Thank you for reviewing these comments.

Yours sincerely

Sent from my iPhone

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From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Tuesday 30 May 2017 10:19

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: Fox licence application-objection

Sent with Good (www.good.com)

----Original Message----

From:

Sent: Monday, May 29, 2017 09:45 PM GMT Standard Time

To: Paul Hughes

Subject: Fox licence application-objection



Re Fox Pub, Frensham Road, Famham - OBJECTION

With the hard landscaping and the removal of all natural acoustic barriers, eg trees and bushes, we have already noticed a significant increase in the noise levels within our house and garden. This is before any amplified music or film sound track has been taken into consideration. 11 years ago, we moved into a house opposite a village pub, not a cinema. Despite the main road, it is currently a very quiet neighbourhood in the evenings.

The new hard flat fencing all around the garden area including on the upper levels has already acted to deflect noise rather than absorb it as the previous shrubbery used to. This would be greatly exaggerated with any amplified sound.

The internal lobby around the front door area was removed during refurbishment so now when we are in our house, we can hear the pub noise every time anyone enters or leaves the building. This continues until the last person leaves late in the evening.

With the advent of the warmer weather, the front door of the building has been wedged open with a fire extinguisher and the windows have been open all day until the pub closes. This simply means that there is no physical barrier between us and any noise that is generated in the pub. If this was to be increased, to include amplified music and bands of an unrestricted size or a karaoke machine, this noise pollution will become unbearable.

I see no reason why films need to be shown in a local pub. It is not a cinema, and if the film is going to be audible to customers from one side of the pub to the other, it means we will be able to hear the film in our front room. This is a village pub, not an entertainment venue. I wouldn't presume to be playing films outside in my garden and subject my neighbours to those choices and keeping their children up at night, so I don't see why a commercial concern should ruin the tranquillity of our neighbourhood.

From a security point of view, there has been an increase in customers loitering in the car park and pub garden after the pub has closed. This has lead to further intrusive noise late at night. It would appear that no one is living on the premises of the Fox Pub so after hours there is no one to deal with this late night nuisance.

Parking has already become an issue with additional vehicles parking on pavements and blocking side roads. The 22 parking spaces on the planning application seem weefully inadequate for the changes in customer numbers that these proposed licence changes are intended to generate. Specifically, access to the Scout Hut and drive ways on Fox Road, including the rear access to our property has been blocked on several occasions since refurbishment started. I am concerned about the young scouts and cubs getting to and from the Scout Hut with the extra traffic and inconsiderately parked cars to contend with.

The current licencing restrictions were put in place for very valid reasons and those reasons have not changed.

So, in conclusion I would like to object on the grounds of public nuisance and public safely and would therefore request that the current licencing restrictions be maintained.

Many thanks,

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Tuesday 30 May 2017 10:20

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: Fox licence application - Objection

Sent with Good (www.good.com)

----Original Message----

From:

Sent: Monday, May 29, 2017 10:02 PM GMT Standard Time

To: Paul Hughes

Subject: Fox licence application - Objection



#### Dear Paul

I am writing to object to the proposed major alteration to the licensing hours and activities at The Fox pub in Lower Bourne. The main objection I have is on the grounds of Prevention of Public Nuisance, especially with regard to the pub being able to show films outdoors every night until 11pm. This proposal is completely unacceptable in what is currently a quiet residential area. The outdoor area has been planned on top of a hill, and as a result, the noise is already disturbing, especially for families such as ourselves with young children. It is also disturbing to see that the pub's owners seem to want to rush through their plans before receiving proper planning permission. I.e. Building the "cabanas" on top of the hill - which makes it clear that they are not listening to the needs of the people who live in the vicinity. I am also shocked that such a development is planned right next to the border of a conservation area, as it will completely ruin the look and feel of our neighbourhood. We originally chose to move to Lower Bourne because it seemed such a peaceful area, but if the Fox is allowed to go ahead with its planned developments, we would have to consider moving to a different area. I noticed that the house nearest the pub has just been put up for sale, and in future people are less likely to want to move to Lower Bourne if this development goes ahead.

Another major issue is that the pub only has a very small car park, and since the development, pub visitors have parked their cars all along the road that we live in (Stream Farm Close). People have been parking on the verges next to the stream, as well as on the main road which blocks the view, and makes it more difficult to drive away from the street safely. The inconsiderate parking makes it very hard for residents to access their houses, and also makes it dangerous for children to play outside. Until now this has been a quiet cul de sac, where you often see young children playing in the street.

Thank you for considering these objections,

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Tuesday 30 May 2017 10:20

To:

Kate Haisali

Subject:

FW: Fox licence application - objection

Sent with Good (www.good.com)

----Original Message----

From:

Sent: Monday, May 29, 2017 10:14 PM GMT Standard Time

To: Paul Hughes

Cc: Carole Cockburn; Martin Lear

Subject: Fw: Fox licence application - objection

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Objection to licencing change on the grounds of prevention of public nuisance

The Fox pub has been a family pub in a quiet neighbourhood for many years, located in a residential area with many family homes. Despite the main road running through it, the area is quiet in the evenings. If the pub were to be allowed to play films outside, the noise would be heard across the whole of the local area, including many family homes, because there is no noise baffle around the pub garden. I live opposite the pub and my family and I would be kept awake with the noise. Even with my new double glazed windows, I can often hear the noise from the pub garden, I really do not want to be subjected to films, recorded music, karaoke or a disco.

This is not a music venue, the current restriction to 12 live performances a year allows for a diversity of clientele without unduly disturbing the local families. The neighbourhood does not need a night club and I would like to continue to enjoy my garden without being forced to endure what ever entertainment the Fox decides it wants to generate.

For years, there were 2 doors to get into the pub, through a lobby. One of the doors has recently been removed, so the noise from the pub is already much louder than it used to be.

This is not a large city centre pub, it is an intimate building in a semi-rural location. Changing the licencing rules has the potential to ruin the tranquillity of the neighbourhood.

The noise concerns raised during consultation with the developer/owner have been ignored (the door and windows have been left open all day in the recent good weather) the hard landscaping work has already been completed despite the fact that planning permission has not been granted yet. In the few days since its completion, we have already been subjected to a marked increase in reflected noise which no longer has any physical barrier following the removal of all the trees and shrubbery.

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From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Tuesday 30 May 2017 13:29

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: Fox Licence application - Objection

Sent with Good (www.good.com)

----Original Message----

From:

Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 12:31 PM GMT Standard Time

To: Paul Hughes

Subject: Fox Licence application - Objection



Dear Paul

I wish to lodge an objection to the Fox licensing application. My objections are on two grounds: Prevention of public nuisance and Prevention of crime and disorder

## A. Prevention of public nuisance

- 1. The most recent application will mean that amplified music, karaoke and discos could be held every day and night of the week creating excessive noise even with the windows and doors of the pub closed. This has been exacerbated by the removal of the porch entrance, which has already increased external noise levels.
- 2. The local area is residential and if this application is granted the peace and quiet of the Bourne village will be ruined potentially on a daily basis, leading to loss of amenity and sleep disruption especially for school children on school nights. As a long standing resident I am aware that this has happened in the past, leading to several complaints which led directly to these restrictions being put in place. If the most recent application proceeds the whole cycle will be repeated wasting everybody's time.
- 3. The license for films outdoors is incompatible with the assurance that there will be no music or TVs in the cabanas under their planning application. Films have music and noise and operating these on potentially ever day of the year up until 11 pm and later would create all the problems stated above but at even greater intensity. Films should be restricted to indoors only and to a maximum of one day a week and to end no later than 9pm and windows and doors should remain closed throughout this time as per the condition for music
- 4. The serving and consumption of food and drink outdoors should (as per the original suggestion from your Environment team) end no later than 9pm on every evening again for the same reasons stated above, The outdoor area has little noise abatement features so any noise will travel and disturb the local residents particularly as the outside area is substantially raised above the surrounding residential houses.
- 5. The car parking available onsite is totally inadequate for the proposed extension of the venue and activities being planned. The nuisance created by Fox customer vehicles already parking in local roads has directly led to some parking restrictions being put in place. These are not enough; for example, yesterday evening I drove into the road to find cars parked all the way up to the roundabout, in some cases all but blocking

- residents' drives and making entry and exit to their drives problematic. If this happens nightly then there will be a huge resident outcry.
- 6. In summary, the existing licensing conditions of 1) no recorded music including karaoke and disco and 2) The restriction on the number of live music events to 12 per year (and only one or two piece bands) and subject to notice and police approval should both be re-imposed.

## B. Prevention of crime and disorder

- 7. The significant increase in frequency and lateness of music, karaoke, disco and film events is likely to bring large numbers of people to the location which as stated above has totally inadequate parking facilities. This will exacerbate an already difficult situation with customers parking in the currently quiet culde-sac (see point 5 above). As customers leave en-masse at 11pm and later it will disturb residents' sleep (there are many families in the road with young school age children) as well as a significant potential for disorderly conduct. The police have already been called on a number of occasions to deal with customers of the Fox and this could only lead to substantial increase in such incidents.
- 8. The application as it currently stands is totally unsuitable for a quiet residential village area such as the Bourne.

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Wednesday 31 May 2017 09:17

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: Fox Licence Application - Objection

Paul Hughes Licensing Manager Waverley Borough Council 01483 523189

From:

Sent: Wednesday 31 May 2017 08:26

To: Paul Hughes

Subject: Fox Licence Application - Objection

Dear Mr Hughes,

I am writing with regard to the above application and the reasons for my objections. My wife and I have lived at our property, which lies directly opposite The Fox pub, for 35 years, and have found no reason to object against anything related to the pub or it's every day operation. On occasion over the years, there have been parties or events which have disrupted the peace of our neighbourhood, but we have accepted this as being acceptable for the few times they have occurred.

On receiving the proposal, ref WA/2017/0470, in March, we completed the objection paperwork online outlining our concerns. We were further concerned when we recently received further paperwork with notification of an extra application made for a major change to the planning at The Fox.

Despite objections and planning permission NOT YET GRANTED, The Fox pub have continued nonetheless with their changes and building work in the gardens, probably on the arrogant assumption that permission will be granted. The cutting down of many trees means that the pub garden and the 'cabanas' being installed, DIRECTLY OVERLOOK OUR ONCE-PRIVATE GARDEN. This will also result in increased noise in addition to invasion of the privacy that we have enjoyed for the past 35 years. We would therefore request that The Fox pub erect further fencing or plant significant trees in order to prevent the overlooking situation and to prevent noise.

3. Add something about the Bourne being a village and this being totally inappropriate for such surroundings etc

In addition, I would also object on the following four reasons;

- Prevention of Crime and Disorder increasing the licensing hours will doubtlessly disrupt the tranquillity of our neighbourhood.
- 2. Public Safety on the premises car parking is already an issue with cars being abandoned on Frensham Road. An accident waiting to happen.
- Prevention of Public Nuisance By allowing the existing music license conditions to be removed, the noise
  and nuisance caused will be unacceptable to the residents living nearby, on a more regular basis. In addition
  to this, the showing of outside movies is absolutely unacceptable on the grounds of noise levels.
- 4. Protection of Children from harm Again the peaceful tranquillity of the neighbourhood will be disrupted, affecting families with children at night.

Overall, we are also very concerned that after all, the Bourne is in fact a tranquil village, which is one of the main reasons that it is such a popular place to live. By allowing such distinctly inappropriate major changes to occur to The Fox pub, we believe will be to the detriment of the rural area.

I very much look forward to hearing your comments on this quite worrying situation, and the profound affect that it will have on our peaceful village.

Yours sincerely

29th May 2017

Licencing Office Waverley Borough Council Council Offices The Burys Godalming Surrey, GU7 1HR



Dear Sir,

# Objection to Application for Licencing Extension at The Fox, 21 Frensham Road, Lower Bourne GU10 3PH

This is an objection to the application for significant changes to the licencing arrangements for the Fox public house. I am writing it both as a resident of Stream Farm Close and as a conservation volunteer in The Bourne with a practical interest in the local environment and its heritage.

## Background

The Fox is a long established pub in Lower Bourne and an important feature in a community that still retains much of its former village identity despite the considerable increase in the size of its population. In recognition of this situation the licensing arrangements have evolved to allow the business of the Fox to be conducted successfully while at the same time limiting the disturbance caused by being at the centre of the residential area. Thus, under the current licence there are sensible limitations placed on both the licencing hours and the scale of activities. Until the present time this balanced approach has been satisfactory both to the publican and near neighbours; the latter have been willing to tolerate the inconvenience of occasional events because in the normal situation their understandable need for peace and quiet has been respected.

What is now proposed overturns these sensible working arrangements that have withstood the test of time and holds out the prospect of many more activities over longer periods. The proposal ignores the tranquil nature of The Bourne valley and the wish of residents to enjoy this in their homes without undue disturbance from traffic, noise, light pollution and general activity.

## **Proposed Changes**

The new application:

- Removes the restrictions on the present licence specifically included to limit unreasonable disturbance
- Introduces new activities in films to be shown indoors and outdoors, and recorded music indoors
- Extends the opening and licencing hours by one hour at Christmas and on all Bank Holidays a
  fotal of 20 days plus an added extension until 3:00 am on New Year's Day

The grounds of my objection are therefore Prevention of Public Nuisance and Prevention of Crime and Disorder

## Prevention of Public Nuisance

The effect of these changes would be to introduce the possibility of:

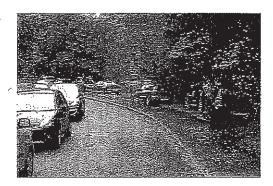
- Both recorded and live amplified music (with any sized band), karaoke and discos EVERY DAY OF THE YEAR until 11:00pm (or 10:30 pm on Sundays).
- The same music events for an extra hour on 20 public holidays and until 3:00 am on New Year's Day
- Films indoors AND OUTDOORS until 11:00 pm every day (or 10:30 pm on Sundays) and for the extra hour on Bank Holidays and Christmas and until 3:00 am on New Year's Day.

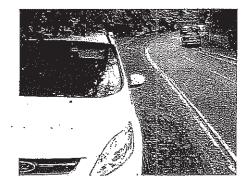
Such a programme will in my view introduce an unacceptable amount of noise, light and general activity to disrupt the lives not only of residents in roads close to the Fox attempting to enjoy the quiet of their homes but also of those living further away on the sides of The Bourne Valley. In that context it is notable how noise and light from the Fox is already quite apparent as far away as the east end of Middle Bourne Lane and Aveley Lane. Clearly, these effects at late hours and on weekends and public holidays are going to be particularly disruptive to those trying to relax in their gardens or to get to sleep at night.

Putting on my conservationist hat I must observe that the current work on the Fox compound has stripped out trees, shrubs and virtually all greenery, thus removing not only attractive features which were in keeping with the rest of the valley but also their screening and absorbency qualities against noise and light.

Parking is already an increasingly difficult problem on Stream Farm Close and Fox Road bearing in mind they are used not only by residents and customers of the Fox but also by parents of children at The Bourne School and youngsters attending the Scout Hut (Taylor's Hall). Although this has been tolerated by residents because it is for limited periods it has nevertheless led to the recent introduction of double yellow lines at the junction with the A287 road for safety reasons. The increased entertainment to be offered by the Fox at anytime during the extended licencing hours will inevitably attract more customers and therefore greatly exacerbate this problem for long periods and at unsocial hours.

To underline this point I can remark that while drafting this letter on 29<sup>th</sup> May I became aware of many extra parked cars in the area on any piece of vacant space as illustrated. This turned out to be because of an unannounced event in the Fox. The congestion caused was not only inconvenient but also created a hazard when attempting to turn onto the A287 road because of parked cars blocking the essential sight line.





## Prevention of Crime and Disorder

The Bourne is not an area with a high rate of serious crime but there is nevertheless an undercurrent of irritating vandalism and anti-social behaviour especially along the line of the A287. This was particularly marked in 2016 when it included uprooting of plants, damage to signs, over-turning of window boxes and scattering of litter in the roadway. Inevitably this vandalism happens at night and often at weekends. Several of the incidents were reported to the Police without result.

There is no evidence to link this directly to the Fox but it is the sort of behaviour associated with irresponsible individuals and groups returning home from a night out somewhere. The proposed increase of events at the Fox and the later opening hours are not going to improve this situation. Indeed, they are likely

to draw in customers for a late drink from a wider area with a greater potential for disturbance in or around the pub or on the way home. Quite apart from the vandalism element there will almost certainly be an increase in parking offences such as parking on double yellow lines and on pavements.

## Conclusion

I object to the proposed changes in licencing at the Fox because they will lead to increased nuisance to the public and the likelihood more petty crime and disorder as follows:

- Failure to learn from past experience that limitations are necessary to harmonise the conduct of the business of the pub with the needs of a residential area
- The increased scope of events will lead to unacceptable levels of noise and light in neighbouring roads and in a wider area of The Bourne valley.
- The longer licencing hours at Christmas and on Bank Holidays will extend the disturbance suffered at a time when residents want to relax in their homes
- The scale of activity throughout the licenced hours will exacerbate the existing serious parking problems in the area
- The longer drinking hours are likely to lead to an increase in the existing under-current of anti-social behaviour in the surrounding roads

Yours faithfully

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Monday 05 June 2017 09:16

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: The Fox, Lower Bourne licencing - Objection

Paul Hughes Licensing Manager Waverley Borough Council 01483 523189

From:

Sent: Friday 02 June 2017 17:15

To: Paul Hughes

Subject: The Fox, Lower Bourne licencing - Objection

Mr Hughes,

My objections are on two grounds: Prevention of public nuisance and Prevention of crime & disorder.

1 ... . . . . .

## Prevention of public nuisance

The Fox is located at the bottom of the Bourne Valley and is surrounded by residential properties. Because of this sound travels very easily and although we live on we can clearly hear conversations in the garden and people leaving the pub particularly in the summer when windows are open. There have been occasional outdoor music events which are noisy and do cause some disturbance but I think the current conditions on live and recorded music strike an acceptable balance for local residents. We, of course, want the pub to succeed as the "family friendly neighbourhood pub" the owners promised not as a late night music venue or outdoor cinema. The licencing they are seeking is what you would expect in a town centre pub not a quiet village. There is no shortage of pubs with live music in Farnham and the East Street development will include a new cinema.

#### Prevention of crime & disorder

The licencing application is obviously aimed at a wider younger clientele than the local residents. The police have been called to deal with disturbances at the pub in the past and with more activities running late at night this can only get worse.

Regards

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Wednesday 07 June 2017 10:30

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: Proposed change of licencing arrangements for The Fox, Frensham Road,

Farnham

Paul Hughes Licensing Manager Waverley Borough Council 01483 523189

**Sent:** Tuesday 06 June 2017 19:40

To: Paul Hughes

Subject: Proposed change of licencing arrangements for The Fox , Frensham Road, Farnham

Dear Mr Hughes,

I would like to object to The Fox licencing application on two grounds, firstly Prevention of Public Nuisance and Prevention of Crime and Disorder.

## Prevention of public nuisance:

The existing licencing conditions for the Fox state that firstly no recorded music including karaoke and disco and secondly the restriction of the number of live music events to 12 per year. Furthermore, the events are subject currently to notice and Police approval. Under the proposed extended hours of opening this will mean that we as local residents will be forced to face the prospect of amplified music, karaoke and discos during both the day and night of the week creating excessive noise even with the windows and the doors of the pub closed. We as a family have already experienced first-hand a greater number of people now visiting The Fox with our young daughter seeing on a number of occasions drunk people walking down our road, seemingly unaware of exactly where they are. We are also experiencing Fox customers parking on the grass verge opposite our property and on two separate occasions we have witnessed from our front window customers urinating in the bushes before driving off. With the sizeable increase in the use of our road for Fox customers we are constantly hearing firstly car doors being shut and car engines being started which causes our 3 children difficulty in sleeping until the Pub closes. The idea of the hours being extended is deeply worrying to us and frustrating. The Pub is the only commercial enterprise within the local area. If the proposal goes ahead it will have a devastating effect to the Lower Bourne area. A large proportion of the local population have young families and the area is known for being peaceful, tranquil and quiet. During the recent May Bank holiday Monday, we had friends round for a barbecue and drinks. Due to the live music and general noise emanating from the Fox we couldn't hear one another speak while we were outside and we were eventually forced to move indoors so we could carry on our conversation. As the evening carried on customers starting singing resembling what you would expect to hear at a local Football match rather than a local village pub. The proposals will destroy this peaceful area and will mean that the local residents lives will be changed for ever. Historically The Fox was subject to numerous complaints due to the noise which resulted in the present restrictions being put in place. These restrictions have helped tremendously and in my opinion, have worked well. It would be completely wrong to tear these restrictions up and return to the issues we had before.

The application for films outdoors should be totally declined – films and music potentially on every day until 11 pm (10:30 on Sundays) in the cabanas would only multiply the issue of noise. The way the garden

is now laid out will mean that the noise will now travel far further than previously. It would also effect a far wider band of Bourne residents than ever before. Films, if allowed at all should be restricted to the indoors with both the windows and doors being shut.

The serving of food and drink outdoors should be restricted to 9pm (as outlined in the recommendations provided by the Environment Team) for the reasons I have already explained. The outdoor area has no evident noise reduction features, particularly now most of the mature trees have been cut down.

#### Prevention of Crime and disorder:

The resultant increase in the proposed hours of operation and lateness of music, karaoke, disco and film events will create a significant increase in the number of people visiting the area which will lead to a major parking problem bearing in mind The Fox has very limited parking. Customers will therefore be forced to park in adjoining roads disturbing many residents sleep when they return to their vehicles. Often customers are louder than normal (presumably due to the effects of the alcohol) which affects again the tranquillity and peace of the area particularly later at night when residents are either in bed or planning to settle down to bed. This as previously mentioned we experience on a regular basis. The thought of this noise continuing for a further period each night is worrying. It's my understanding that over recent weeks the Police have had to be called on several occasions already to deal with customers of The Fox.

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Friday 09 June 2017 13:25

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: Fox Licence Application - OBJECTION

Paul Hughes Licensing Manager Waverley Borough Council 01483 523189

From:

Sent: Thursday 08 June 2017 13:48

To: Paul Hughes

Subject: Fox Licence Application - OBJECTION

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing with regards to the ongoing planning application for extending licensing hours and activities at the Fox, Lower Bourne, Farnham. As a local resident, we are becoming increasingly concerned with the extensions the pub owner is currently proposing.

My objections are for the following reasons:

## Protection of children from harm:

There are number of families in this quiet, lovely cul-de-sac who are very lucky to be able to let their children play outside on the roundabout and ride their bikes. However, this lovely opportunity for our children will be taken away as traffic increases. Due to the inadequate parking the Fox provides for its clients, and as it attracts more people with its events, it is becoming apparent that our road is now an extension of the pub car park. People are driving, with considerable speed in some circumstances, down the road to turn around at the roundabout before they drive back up to park nearer the pub. This is extremely worrying as this is a quiet cut-de-sac with children's safely now put at risk.

## Prevention of public nuisance:

Noise levels have already been increased, especially after their first opening event of the garden. Due to the fact the licensee wants to hold an ever increasing number of events throughout the year, with extended hours past 11pm, means this will have a detrimental affect on the once peaceful, country environment this Close currently has. The licensee was proposing that windows and doors should always be shut for music, but how will this happen with their proposed plans to show films outside?

## Preventions of crime and disorder:

With the increase in music, disco and karaoke events and with inadequate parking which leads to parking on our road, my concern is with incidents increasing and becoming a disturbance for the community on this quiet cut-de-sac.

I hope these objections are considered and I feel very strongly that a country pub, within a quiet, rural community should stay as that. It will be a great place to go and eat and enjoy the summer evenings

outside, but without the need of town pub elements such as extended opening hours, music events outside.

Please can you confirm receipt of this letter and look forward to your response.

Kind regards,

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Friday 09 June 2017 13;20

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: Objection to the variation of licensing application to The Fox Pub, Lower

Bourne

Paul Hughes Licensing Manager Waverley Borough Council 01483 523189

From:

Sent: Friday 09 June 2017 11:42

To: Paul Hughes

Subject: Objection to the variation of licensing application to The Fox Pub, Lower Bourne

## The Fox Pub, Frensham Road License Application Objection



The Bourne Residents' Association have concerns about the new license application under the grounds of Public Nuisance.

1. We are concerned about noise levels with the showing of films in the Cabanas in the outside raised garden area along with proposed playing of amplified music and karaoke indoors. The Bourne Valley is known for the accoustic effect of peoples' voices being able to be heard from the properties on the Southern side of Aveley Lane. Any outdoor function in the valley can be easily heard.

The new proposed extended opening times, especially those at bank holidays will only add to the noise intrusion for close neighbours.

The opening of the newly landscaped garden on the recent bank holiday Monday has already caused complaints about noise levels.

We struggle to believe that windows and doors will be kept shut at all times during indoor musical events unless an air conditioning unit is fitted. From past experience during the summer months the pub windows were always kept open.

- 2. The car park is not large enough to accomodate the people who already are using the pub. With more functions being advertised this is only going to add to problems of noise of people talking and shouting when leaving the premises and the noise of slamming car doors and engines when people return to their vehicles which at present are already being left on the main A287 and any other available space. The residents of Stream Farm Close are experiencing a lot of problems due to this.
- 3. The Fox is in a highly residential area. There has to be stricter conditions applied to the licensing application. These were applied to the existing license as it was recognised how intrusive the noise levels were with people leaving the pub and slamming car doors and how the noise of their voices travelled for some distance. With pub goers now parking all over the place the noise levels will affect far more people. Local residents surely have the right to be able to enjoy their amenity space around their own property without the intrusion of a lot of noise and being able to access their properties at all times.

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Monday 12 June 2017 10:19

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: Fox Licence Application - OBJECTION

Paul Hughes Licensing Manager Waverley Borough Council 01483 523189

From:

Sent: Sunday 11 June 2017 20:46

To: Paul Hughes

Subject: Fox Licence Application - OBJECTION

Dear Mr Hughes

I am writing to object to the licencing application by the Fox in Lower Bourne.

My objection is on the grounds of Public Nuisance. Whilst it is good and encouraging to have a thriving local Pub, the current owners seem to forget that it is in a residential area, have made little attempt to engage with their neighbours, and have now applied for a number of changes to their licence that, if used on a regular basis, are inappropriate for the environment in which they are situated. Of particular concern is noise from outside activities late into the evening. I therefore object to:

- films being shown outside up to 11pm. Seeing as they have only mentioned this as children's films, I would have thought approx 7pm as being more reasonable.

- live music & recorded music: although indoors, this may have an impact, both in terms of noise pollution and additional revellers attending. I suggest a restriction on the number of events is agreed. Currently this is 12/year. I would have thought up to 26 as being more reasonable. Any playing of music outdoors is a nuisance and should not be allowed, unless it is specific rare events like the annual music festival that used to be held at the Fox.

- Opening hours: The additional hours on Bank Holiday weekends would extend up until 1am on Friday & Saturday, with the Thurs, Fri & Monday going until 12.30 am, particularly at Easter where there is a risk that there is no let up for a 5 day period. I therefore think that this should be restricted. I fully understand that longer opening hours is applicable on New Year's Eve, but would suggest that no later than 2am on New Years Day would be more appropriate in a residential area.

regards

From:

Sent:

To: Subject: Wednesday 14 June 2017 23:47 Licensing Policy; Paul Hughes Fox licence application - Objection



Dear Mr Hughes

I desperately urge you to turn down this application to alter the current licensing terms for The Fox on Frensham Road. These have been put in place in recent years to protect us, the immediate neighbours of a public venue, from instances of crime and disorder, frequent noise and smell nuisance and furthermore to protect the high numbers of children in this area, due to the neighbouring highly-regarded infant school.

There is no call for any of the hours extensions requested, especially not until 3am on New Years Evehours more appropriate to a London venue than one in the quiet village of The Bourne. Our quality of life and wellbeing would be left in tatters if this was put in place and restrictions were lifted.

I was told by the new owner/manager some sales and marketing information regarding his new requests to you, one being to show rugby from 8.30am, serving alcohol from 10am. Firstly this drinking behaviour in our village should not be encouraged at a prevention of crime and disorder level, partly as it would mostly be attended by those driving to the venue and also as it is wholly irresponsible, egotistical and disrespectful to this neighbourhood of young families, the new owners are clearly not interested in protecting their new neighbours from public nuisance, crime and disorder.

A potentially high-attendance event such as sport and film screenings should not be held in a village location on the side of a valley full of young families, let alone outside. Disney films being shown in the afternoon around 5pm were recently advertised. This is surely a potential for harm to the children of the quiet village of Lower Bourne. My daughters are now 8 and 5 and the last thing I want is for them to attend a busy film screening in such an inappropriate venue which serves alcohol to the public at the same time, since many unknown adults would be in the venue at the same time as a potentially large number of young children! It would be highly likely for children to come to harm and be a great deal of public nuisance from resulting noise.

This pub may have some locals, but is on a commuter route which would only get busier with the Central Farnham redevelopment, attracting more potential for trouble at a teatime children's film screening and it is wholly inappropriate. This is also inappropriate for its unique topographic location - the Bourne valley, where outdoor amplification equipment will cause a huge disturbance to us since the valley has the acoustics of an amphitheatre.

The car parking and proposal for valet parking is still inadequate for the premise to have large bands and music, karaoke, disco and films potentially every night and the nuisance created by Fox customer vehicles already parking in our local roads is cause for concern. Such an increase in customer numbers from events being held potentially every night of the week would place an intolerable burden on local residents and their ability to access their properties.

Films if allowed should be restricted to indoors and to a maximum of one day a week, to end no later than 9pm and windows and doors should remain closed throughout this time as per the condition for music. Since the small entrance lobby was removed in renovations there is a louder noise disturbance as people arrive and leave, this is particularly bad when the door is propped open... breaching licence conditions. Noise is also greater on hot days and evenings when the windows are open upstairs, as this area was also changed in the pub's renovations from a private accommodation to an extension of the pub and is where sport has been shown on TV, giving me some indication of what it would be like with films being broadcast outside and a high number of people regularly outside in the highly extended garden. This garden has also had all natural noise abatement features removed and fences put up that only screen foot traffic on their side of the road from their new outdoor seating/deck/play area/possible bar. A plan detailing lawn grass species being used will not help. Nor will a plan that says they will have a complaints procedure.

The serving and consumption of food and drink outdoors should end no later than 9pm on every evening for the reasons detailed above. The proposals for larger bands and live music/discos/karaoke to be permitted at any time would shatter the peace of the Bourne village we as residents all moved into, decreasing our quality of life as we couldn't sit in our gardens nor get our children to sleep with their windows open on hot summer evenings. The restrictions have largely solved a problem and it would be absurd to remove them. The new restrictions requested would be more appropriate to a venue in a large town!

I have several instances I will be contacting Surrey Police, Surrey Highways and Environmental Health about - namely that my carport smelt like a public toilet one morning and I found a beer bottle on my wall;

I was left anxious and uncomfortable following a discussion with the new owner/manager; Fox customers cars are regularly parked in the narrow Fox Road opposite the drop curb for my driveway, in addition to traffic of parents from the school and parents from the Scouts/Cubs, causing an obstruction and often preventing me accessing my property; cars back out onto the road from the carpark dangerously, at the bottom of a dip in a busy A-road which cars often speed down into, needing someone to stand out in the road to check its safe..?!

Outdoor amplification equipment, disorderly conduct in the early hours, waking us and our young children and hugely impacting our lives is the only thing we could expect from your permitting this application.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Best Regards,

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Friday 16 June 2017 09:26

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: The Fox Inn, Lower Bourne - Licencing application

Paul Hughes Licensing Manager Waverley Borough Council 01483 523189

From:

Sent: Thursday 15 June 2017 19:34

To: Paul Hughes

Cc: carolcockburn@waverley.gov.uk

Subject: The Fox Inn, Lower Bourne - Licencing application

23)

To whom it may concern:

l live in Lodge Hill Road, and wish to object to The Fox Public House, 21 Frensham Road, Lower Bourne, Farnham application to change their Licence conditions.

This is a village pub, and we would like it kept that way. Lower Bourne is a residential area and increased noise due to outdoor Karaoke, films, amplified music would be disruptive to the area.

It may well bring in "outsiders" who would be car parking in the nearby roads and causing annoyance late into the night.

It appears that work to the grounds at the back of the Fox to enable the outdoor entertainment have not yet had planning permission. Maybe there is preservation on this area for plants and wildlife?

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Friday 16 June 2017 09:35

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject:

FW: Fox Licence Application

Paul Hughes Licensing Manager Waverley Borough Council 01483 523189

---Original Message---

From:

Sent: Thursday 15 June 2017 16:23

To: Paul Hughes

Subject: Fox Licence Application

Dear Paul

I live at ... Lower Bourne, Farnham GU10 and I wish to object to The Fox Public House, 21 Frensham Road, Lower Bourne, Farnham, Surrey GU10 3PH application changes to their Licence conditions.

Prevention of public nuisance extended hours with indoor and outdoor amplified music, films, karaoke and discos. Lower Bourne is a residential area and increased hours of noise would be a nuisance and a disruption to lives of local residents especially at night.

Car parking on local roads and lanes by patrons of The Fox public house has already become problematic for local residents.

Kind regards

From:

Paul Hughes

Sent:

Monday 19 June 2017 14:19

To:

Kate Halsall

Subject

FW: Licencing Objections - The Fox, Frensham Road

Paul Hughes Licensing Manager Waverley Borough Council 01483 523189

From:

Sent: Friday 16 June 2017 22:49

To: Paul Hughes

Subject: Licencing Objections - The Fox, Frensham Road



Dear Mr Hughes,

As direct neighbours of The Fox, we'd like to register our objections to any change in their existing licencing conditions, based on prevention of public nuisance.

The reason the current restrictions were imposed was down to noise complaints from the people who actually live in Lower Bourne. It's not as if The Fox is in the middle of town where noise is to be expected. With the exception of the pub, the area is entirely residential. If the proposed changes to The Fox's licence were accepted, they could potentially have live or recorded music blaring out any night of the week until 11pm. From the pub, there are young families who live close by in every direction and we'd all be affected if this was the case. The restrictions work and as a result the surrounding neighbourhood are happy.

The cabanas and outside bar, which have been built regardless of planning consent, and the play area need to have a 9pm closing time. The whole garden is made from timber now and the sound just resonates around, especially with the addition of the new child's play tower. The thing is like a hollow drum every time the kids get on it and, as expected, unsupervised kids scream, cry and shout from the platform. It is literally a couple of metres away from out fence!

TV screens should not be allowed in the cabanas or anywhere else outside. Any movies/sports shown need to be inside the pub with all doors and windows closed and the cabanas need to be used by diners only, as it was written in the original planning application.

We're not opposed to the occasional event but if these changes in the licencing are accepted, The Fox would have free rein to become regularly disruptive in an otherwise peaceful village.

Thank you in advance for considering our objections.

Kind regards