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Dear Sirs,

As a resident of 7 Stamford Road since 1992, I am writing to express my fervent objections to the application to extend the trading hours of The Nascot Arms by Green King.

I have received no notification of any proposals by Green King or their Landlords. They seem to have building works for extensions and property changes and satellite dishes that domestic property would not be allowed under the conservation area rules. Local gossip brought about by anger of local residents seems the only method of communication. The latest being these proposed changes to the already extended trading hours.

Without any "change of use" The Nascot Arms is no longer the asset to the local community that it was. It has gradually morphed into a restaurant, sports bar, and takeaway. Cars arrive to collect their food leaving engines running, parking dangerously on corners, blocking the exit and entrance to Nascot Place. They have no regards of the danger to pedestrians or the children entering and leaving the park immediately opposite.

We residents already have to endure car doors banging, loud exchanges and shouts of goodbyes, and drunken adults unable to resist a swing or slide, accompanied by the inevitable squealing, before they depart the area between midnight and up to 1am at present, and even later when they hold private parties. The music emanates through the open doors and windows. The narrow pavement is their designated smoking area on two sides and mobile phone users, with a pint in one hand pacing up and down and talking outside my window. The one way street of Stamford Road and cul de sac of Nascot Place is a small residential area unsuited to a venue of this kind. Ambulances and fire engines already impeded in their progress through the area.

Watford Council is always soliciting praise for the way that the town centre has developed into a premium entertainment area. With support by Police and other agencies to enforce and protect users and residents alike. Unlike our street there has been no evident presence of noise abatement control or police to protect our domestic peace or safety. Daily drinking and driving, and dangerous parking being of no concern, and out of sight to investors in our town. It seems that the only concern is the continued interests of Green King and their investors. It is in my opinion that Green King have already got away with murder, killing a local community with their blatant disregard for local residents in a totally unsuitable area for increasing its commercial activities.

Oh what a change in the last 12years from the comforting, social centre of the community The Nascot Arms was for local residents, families and visitors to this once lovely haven known as Nascot Village.

I plead that you do not allow Green King and their Landlords to impact further on our lives by increasing longer hours to serve alcohol and/or food.

Yours faithfully,

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