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13th May 2014
by hand

Attention: The Licensing Officer

Dear Sirs,

Nascot Arms - Extension to trading hours

We write with reference to the above posted in the window of the Village pub currently being extended and refurbished.

As long-standing constituents, council tax payers and residents in Watford we write in the strongest terms to voice our objection to this wholly inappropriate and unwelcome application made by Greene King.

You will be aware that Nascot Village is a Conservation Area providing an overwhelmingly residential haven to people who by and large have to get up early to travel to work and find respite in returning home to the haven that is Nascot Village with its character including Village Church, Pub and Children's Play Area. The idea of extending the opening hours and permitting this pub to become a late night refreshments hub is wholly inappropriate and will change irreparably the character of this gem of respite in Watford. We are glad to see that Charter Place is consented to become more of a leisure offering with restaurants, bars and a cinema to complement the already wide choice of late night trading options rightly available within commercial/Town Centre locations of Watford for the locals and visitors to the Town. This quiet neighbourhood is not the place to allow such an extended opening and public nuisance would undoubtedly ensue should such a proposal be permitted by the Councils Licensing Authority. The public nuisance caused would be in terms of noise and potential for violence. Also from late night and extended drinking would bring other forms of public nuisance with antisocial behaviour affecting cars including later car doors slamming, shouting, swearing and damage to the Children's Play Area (Area being right opposite this pub). The area would also have inadequate parking if this area is seen as the alternative for extended opening or drinking beyond what other pubs in such a residential area in Watford were allowed to offer. It is also worthy of note that there can be no commercial imperative as otherwise Greene King would not have committed to the Works at the pub before seeing if these extra hours were going

to be permitted. They obviously don't need these hours but are just chancing their arm to see if they can get some more hours to trade.

To close please let protect the people and area allowing us to be able to sleep in our beds of this residential area and let this Conservation Area's Village be upheld by turning down this inappropriate application by Greene King to extend the trading hours of our nice little Village Pub, the Nascot Arms.

If any contact is needed prior to the application being decided please contact us via the above phone number in the first instance and we look forward to hearing that the right outcome of refusal is provided and would like to know the outcome once determined upon by you as the Licensing Authority.

Yours sincerely,

Greg & Debbie Beach