

7th March 2011

Re: Fiveways Convenience Store 58-60 Westbourne Road Torquay TQ1 4JU

Application to sell alcohol (Premises Licence)

I am writing to you to complain in the strongest possible terms with regards to the application listed above to sell alcohol at Fiveways Convenience Store. This is a residential neighbourhood with many families with small and school age children as well as elderly residents and the very last thing that is needed here is any store selling alcohol. We have enough problems locally with anti-social behaviour from people after consuming alcohol in the evenings and especially at weekends. When the store was open previously without an alcohol licence it was a magnet and a focus for rowdy youngsters and people who had been drinking even at night once it had closed with empty bottles and delivery crates etc. being thrown around and general noise till sometimes the early hours.

To have such a store once again opened but this time with an alcohol licence would be a catastrophe for the local residents and families as alcohol readily available in what is a residential area would I believe cause a considerable increase in anti social behaviour and very possibly alcohol related crime. We already have in close proximity a Waitrose and a Spar store as well as an off licence in Teignmouth Road and also the Tesco shop in the garage on Lymington Road selling alcohol and to add another outlet in the middle of a totally residential area is totally unnecessary as well as worrying for the residents.

With the possible new policy of switching off street lights as well as the current problems we already have with parking congestion to add this outlet with an alcohol licence would be landing the local residents with very real and significant personal and property safety worries. The last thing this area needs is any form of store selling alcohol and for the sake of all the residents I implore you not to allow this licence to be granted.

Yours sincerely

*Crime and Disorder
Public Assistance*

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Re: Fiveways Convenience Store, 58-60 Westbourne Road, Torquay.
TQ1 4JU
Objection - Application for a premises licence for the sale of alcohol**

I am aware that the above premises has applied for a Premises Licence to sell alcohol in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003.

I am writing to formally object to this application as a concerned party for a number of significant reasons some of which are historical and are related to this premises and the residential area in which it is proposed to sell alcohol. These are in general:

- Police crime statistics show already that there crime related incidents within this council ward area;
- Alcohol for sale on the premises will contribute to increased alcohol related crimes and will attract large numbers of youths all year round due to its location on the junction of Westbourne/Forest Road as has been the case in the past for which the Police have been called to on may occasions. This can be very intimidating for some elderly residents especially where elements of 'hoody' type gangs congregate;
- Anti-social behaviour – Large groups of intimidating youths lead naturally to unwelcome ASB activity and behaviour resulting in car crime, increased noise levels late at night especially at weekends. This is particularly worrying as this is a residential area with residents cars parked opposite and adjacent to the shop pavement area;

Public objection

- Parking congestion – this will occur as this residential area already struggles for residents to park in a Victorian street where families quite often own an average of 2 cars/family. Passing vehicles will also be parking illegally on a busy junction where there is no traffic control. This will exacerbate the parking problems already experienced by residents.
- Noise/noise abatement/noise pollution – ASB will contribute to increased unwanted noise levels especially at weekends. I have over the past numbers of years called the Police out for large groups congregating on the road junction and in the houses rear service lanes to disperse under age youths consuming alcohol. The provision of a licence to sell alcohol will only make this situation worse where they attempt to purchase alcohol. They also urinate, exchange drugs on the road junction and outside the rear of my house as these service lane areas are not lit. They also use the lane to Vigour's Ltd. which is not lit and accessible to consume alcohol out of the sight of the Police.
- Off-licence sales – considering Waitrose, Spar (Plainmoor) and an outlet on Teignmouth Road sell alcohol, how can another shop be justified when Policing in these areas is already sparse especially in a residential area.
- Variation to future operating times – one can only assume that once this licence is granted the applicant will invariably apply for an extension of sales (past 8pm), this will increase the areas highlighted and be unbearable.
- Council street light switch off – as intended by Torbay Council my view is that with the combination of ASB and alcohol, there is a new potential risk of burglary/robbery related crimes to private property, vehicles and nearby residential gardens in this residential area. This has happened before where the Police have been called.

Considering these serious concerns I would like to propose that the Premises Licence to sell alcohol be not granted based on my objections and the fact that the licensing objectives cannot be fully met by the applicant.

Alcohol Licence being granted for Five ways Store.

I feel this would bring a whole lot of problems with it like Alcohol related crime, car and vehicle problems/congestion and possible burglary incidents.

I am a single mother with a young daughter sitting her GCSE'S and I have to work so the impact on my emotional and physical state would be affected by late night shoppers and people who don't work .This is so unfair and unnecessary in our area Our house prices will fall and the neighbourhood would deteriorate drastically . Holistically it will be a disaster.

May I ask you, How would you like to live near an off license and still function?

I beg you to rethink and just give us our shop back with out all the rubbish you will subject us to.

Do you really care!

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Dear Licensing Officer,

~~Dear concerned resident,~~

Re: Fiveways Convenience Store, 58 – 60 Westbourne Road, Torquay, TQ1 4JU

Application to sell alcohol (Premises Licence)

This is to inform you of the current situation of the shop opposite or near you. If you wish object you need to write to the Council **now** as the Licence Application has been received and there is only a few days to object. You will need to state to the Council your concerns regarding the application of a Premises Licence to sell alcohol. Write to:

Licensing Section

Torbay Council

Roebuck House

Abbey Road

Torquay

TQ2 5EJ

Remember once this licence has been granted it can be varied at any time e.g. opening times extended, which is what normally happens. At the moment Mr. Dharminster Singh has applied for a licence from 10am to 8pm and Bank Holidays. A licence variation after this Premises Licence has been granted could be made at a later date by the applicant say to 11pm or midnight. This will increase:

- Alcohol related crime
- ASB – Anti Social Behaviour
- Car/vehicle crime
- Burglary/Robbery especially when the Council switch the street lights off as intended
- Parking congestion

Considering the current provision for the sale of alcohol from Waitrose, Spar and an off licence on Teignmouth Road there is not a need for another off licence especially in a residential area.

Feel free to quote some of these matters as your concerns as an interested party.

Westbourne Resident

4th March 2010

*we the under signed strongly object to the above application,
for all the reasons stated above.*

DEAR [SIR/MADAM]

I WOULD STRONGLY OBJECT, TO THE APPLICATION, TO SELL ALCOHOL, AT 58/60 WESTBOURNE ROAD. I FEEL, THE AREA, IS WELL SERVED, BY WAITROSE, AT PLAIN MOOR, M^CCALLS AT PLAIN MOOR, AND M^CCALLS AT LYNINGTON ROAD, ALL WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE TAKING JUST A FEW MINUTES TO REACH THEM. THIS SHOP, WHEN IT WAS OPEN, ALWAYS HAD PROBLEMS WITH SCHOOL CHILDREN STEALING OFF THE SHELVES, ALSO PROBLEMS WITH FOREIGN STUDENTS, GATHERING, OPPOSITE THE SHOP, FOR HOURS ON END. ALSO, THE SHOP, IS ON A MAIN ROAD, FROM THE TOWN, TO HELE VILLAGE, MUCH DAMAGE, HAS BEEN CAUSED, TO CARS. WING MIRRORS, KNOCKED OFF, WHEEL TRIMS, STOLEN CARS SCRATCHED.

Child Protection

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TWO LAST WEEK, IT WAS, PINK PAINT.
SPRAYED, ON AT LEAST TWO CARS.

THIS APPLICATION, IF PASSED, WILL ONLY
MAKE, MATTERS, A LOT WORSE, SOCIETY,
WANTS TO STOP, ALL DRUNKEN BEHAVIOUR.
LETTING MORE SHOPS SELL ALCOHOL IS NOT
THE RIGHT WAY.

YOURS FAITHFULLY

Re: Fiveways Convenience Store, 58-60 Westbourne Road, TQ1 4JU

Application to sell alcohol (Premises Licence)

To whom it may concern,

We would like to lodge a formal objection to the granting of the above licence for the following reasons.

Alcohol related crime

Anti Social Behaviour

Noise related incidents during the evenings

Car/Vehicle crime

Burglary/Robbery especially when the street lighting is switched off as intended by the council

Parking congestion due to the location of the shop.

Taking into account the current provision for the sale of alcohol within the area, i.e. Waitrose, Convenience store (St Marychurch Road) Tesco and Tesco garage, Spar and Off Licence (Lymington Road) we believe there is not the need for another alcohol outlet especially within a residential outlet.

Thank You for taking the time to consider this objection.