

86, Whiting Street
Bury St.Edmunds
IP33 1NX

18th September 2019

To whom it may concern

RE: OBJECTION to premises licence application at 3, Whiting Street, Bury St.Edmunds.
Suffolk. IP33 1NX

We are writing to register our strong objection to the above licensing application submitted by Moriarty's Restaurants Limited. This objection is specific to the 'late night' aspect of their application (i.e. any night after 21:00), involving provision of recorded music (indoors), late night refreshments (indoors) and the supply of alcohol (on premises).

Number 3, Whiting Street lies within an area protected by the councils Cumulative Impact Policy. Residents, including ourselves, already suffer noise nuisance and antisocial behaviour at all hours of the day and night. Not only would granting this licence provide a further source of alcohol within an area already heavily populated with licensed premises it will give rise to the potential for an increase in crime and general disorder in our street.

As a family with 3 young children, one of whom has a bedroom overlooking the proposed site, we object on the following grounds:

1. Noise. We live within a few metres of 3 Whiting Street and there is nothing to block unwanted sound from travelling that short distance. Leakage of noise will never be totally excluded. We already experience very loud music from Boosh bar which is located much further away than this will be. In addition we suffer considerable late night noise when the other local pubs and bars close and as patrons disperse in and out of the town centre. Disruptions include screaming and shouting, alcohol fuelled arguments as well as inappropriate language.
2. Antisocial behaviour. It is unrealistic to expect all patrons, especially after a few drinks, to be considerate of the local community. The longer the period of drink availability, the higher the risk of antisocial behaviour, and this risk factor is directly in front of our house. Our neighbours opposite have already suffered malicious damage to their home during the early hours of one morning, which was extremely distressing to their family as well as ours.

In addition, we would like to know where their patrons will go to smoke. If they are going to be directed outside the front of the premises, how will issues relating to noise from groups congregating there, noxious smells and disposal of cigarette butts be dealt with?

Whilst we recognise the importance of encouraging new businesses into the town centre, and welcome another cafe into our street, our primary concern is to protect our family, and as a site, just metres away from our home, we feel the current late night licensing proposal and application is totally unacceptable.

We look forward to hearing your feedback.

Yours sincerely

Helen Ellis & Nathan Ellis