

Archibald, Janice

Subject: FW: PREM/04457/004

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 17 October 2023 10:31
To: Entertainment Licensing <Entertainment.Licen@leeds.gov.uk>
Subject: PREM/04457/004

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Dear Licensing,

I am writing to **OBJECT** to the current Licensing application **PREM/04457/004** for an extension to the hours of The Golden Beam. This public house, previously the Elinor Lupton Centre, was allowed to open after considerable local opposition. The alcohol License was agreed on condition that it closed at 11pm every night. This seemed to be working well as did the agreement not to entertain those taking part in the fancy dress pub crawl known as the Otley Run.

The Golden Beam is a family friendly establishment in a residential area and extending the opening hours and alcohol license will encourage an increase in noise, litter and anti-social behaviour.

If we are to have any respect for the Licensing authority, this application must be rejected.

[REDACTED]

Archibald, Janice

From: planning.comments@leeds.gov.uk
Sent: 04 October 2023 22:24
To: Archibald, Janice
Subject: Comments for Licensing Application PREM/04457/004

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Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 04/10/2023 10:23 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address: Headingley Lane Headingley Leeds LS6 1BX

Proposal: Premises Licence - Full Variation

Case Officer: Miss Janice Archibald

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Customer Details

Name: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Address:



Comments Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour response

Stance: Customer objects to the Licensing Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments: 04/10/2023 10:23 PM Since the Wetherspoons has been open, increased traffic and poorly parked cars. Many patrons of the establishment don't use the car park instead they use the side streets even when there is sufficient spaces in their car park. They often park dangerously and in an inconsiderate manner. The establishment has also led to an increase in footfall through the adjoining neighbourhood resulting in noise nuisance and antisocial behaviour as their patrons pass through the neighbourhood to get there or leave. Their patrons also cause a danger to road users as they stumble into the busy road without looking. The presence of the establishment has become a blight on the neighbourhood. It is intolerable and unjust to allow them to open later in the night. The establishment also fail to ID check patrons as I've often seen young persons of very questionable age in there purchasing alcoholic drinks. They don't have door supervisors at all times of the evening and night.

Kind regards

Archibald, Janice

Subject: FW: PREM/04457/004, The Golden Beam, Leeds LS6 1BX

From: Sally Whale <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 29 October 2023 22:36
To: Entertainment Licensing <Entertainment.Licen@leeds.gov.uk>
Subject: PREM/04457/004, The Golden Beam, Leeds LS6 1BX

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PREM/04457/004: Full Variation of the Premises Licence, Golden Beam, Headingley Lane, Headingley, Leeds LS6 1BX

I write to object to the above application for full variation to licensing hours on Friday and Saturday nights at the Golden Beam, Headingley Lane, Leeds, LS6 1BX, on the grounds that it would be contrary to the licensing objective of the prevention of public nuisance.

It is my belief that serving alcohol at this location until 12.30am on Friday and Saturday evenings, after other licensed premises in Headingley and the city centre have closed, would inevitably lead to an increase in noise nuisance and anti-social behaviour by departing drinkers, both in the immediate vicinity of the pub, and as they disperse through neighbouring streets, and this at a time when most residents would ordinarily be expecting to sleep.

When the present license was granted on appeal it was on the understanding that the pub must respect and avoid disturbance to this residential neighbourhood: recent objections to the planning application for extended hours (now granted for two days) provided good evidence that the Golden Beam's nearest neighbours already experience a good deal of noise nuisance in addition to various forms of unpleasant anti-social behaviour near their homes, and it is for these reasons, in the interests of residents, that I urge the Licensing Committee to reject application PREM/04457/004 for variation (extension) of licensing hours beyond those which are already in place.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] resident

Archibald, Janice

Subject: FW: PREM/04457/004 for Full Variation of the Premises Licence (LCC - May Contain Profanity)

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 29 October 2023 10:29
To: Entertainment Licensing <Entertainment.Licen@leeds.gov.uk>
Subject: PREM/04457/004 for Full Variation of the Premises Licence (LCC - May Contain Profanity)

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I wish to object to the application for an extension of the time alcohol may be sold on Fridays and Saturdays at J D Wetherspoon's "Golden Beam" pub on Headingley Lane, Leeds LS6 1BX from 11 pm to 12.30 am (PREM/04457/004 for Full Variation of the Premises Licence). This application follows the applicant's receiving planning permission for the pub to remain open on Fridays and Saturdays from 11 pm to 12.30 am, having unsuccessfully applied for the same extension on every night of the week. The proposed extension of the alcohol licence would specifically contradict the licensing objective of preventing public nuisance by creating the circumstances for an increase in existing documented public nuisance caused by clients of the pub purchasing alcohol up to 11 pm.

In common with many of my neighbours, I have a clear memory of our attempts to prevent J D Wetherspoon from opening a pub in the former Elinor Lipton Centre and in particular of the district magistrate's damning judgment, when they were initially refused an alcohol licence. I also remember clearly that the original restriction of the pub's opening hours to 11 pm was specifically imposed "In the interest of residential amenity" and was intended to limit the potential for the public nuisance it was widely anticipated the pub's presence embedded in a residential community would cause.

The recent loosening of that restriction ignores those well-justified concerns. I can only assume that the planning committee took seriously J D Wetherspoon's claim that "the public house has been successfully trading since its opening without any issues or complaints raised from neighbouring residents" and ignored the readily available evidence to the contrary from residents of Buckingham House and the Manors and Richmonds, the pub's immediate neighbours to the right and left.

I urge the Licensing Committee to believe instead the damning and distressing evidence provided, for example, by residents [REDACTED], respectively: "[REDACTED] have caught people urinating up my garden wall having come from the pub many times. I am already kept up by drunk people screaming in the street"; "I've already made complaints about noise and increased traffic in the area from patrons of this establishment which Council haven't taken seriously. Things which have increased in the area since it's been open are littering, vandalism, kicking bins, public defecation/urination and drunken abuse as their

patrons traverse through our neighbourhood to get to and from there"; "... they allow large stag/hen do groups in fancy dress, as well as huge groups of rugby supporters. We have seen evidence of them congregating in the back street, frequently using illicit substances, urinating against the wall rather than go inside to the toilet... as well as vomiting on and around our properties and indeed an increase in vandalism. The area feels much less safe as a direct consequence. Currently we cannot get to sleep after the pub has closed, as those leaving are extremely loud and drunk and take a considerable time to disperse. The staff also choose this time to empty large amounts of glass into their bins - were the pub to stay open later, this would inevitably be a poor consequence and create even more noise, even later at night ... The amount of abandoned pint glasses and bottles left/smashed outside our houses causes concern that people are allowed to leave with their drink - essentially encouraging late night public drinking... And the behaviour associated with that, such as smoking, instances of drug use, fighting, vandalism, graffiti, spitting on residents and our properties, alongside aggressive and confrontational behaviour".

I also urge the Licensing Committee to take seriously the warning by Leeds City Council's Senior Technical Officer (Environmental Health), [REDACTED], who formulates professionally what I and many others suffer all too regularly from greatly increased levels of alcohol-fed antisocial behaviour and noise in this area: "I feel that extending the hours will result in the current adverse impacts (as described in the objection comments), taking place at a more noise sensitive time. As a rule, background noise levels subside gradually between early evening and nighttime. Traffic volumes on busy roads fall and there are fewer people walking around the streets. After 11pm there is a much higher risk of sleep disturbance. The greater the difference between the general background level (LA90) and any intrusive noise (LAMax) the more likely it will be that people are woken, suffer disturbed sleep or are prevented from sleeping ... The venue kitchen closes at 23.00 so the extended hours are likely to be used for drinking ... Uninterrupted sleep is a prerequisite for good physiological and mental functioning. The after-effects of poor sleep can be increased fatigue, depressed mood or well-being, and decreased performance. Frequent exposure to nuisance noise can also have adverse physical as well as mental health impacts. In summary, there is a proven association between alcohol use and talking loudly. The location of the venue makes it more likely that residents will be affected by noise from customers who have been drinking there, returning home in small rowdy groups via nearby residential streets on foot. The later the venue is open, the more likelihood there is of causing sleep disturbance. Sleep disturbance can adversely impact health."

In the light of convincing evidence of this kind that the application would breach the licensing objective of preventing public nuisance, I urge the Licensing Committee to refuse the application for an extension of the time alcohol may be sold on Fridays and Saturdays at J D Wetherspoon's "Golden Beam" pub on Headingley Lane, Leeds LS6 1BX (PREM/04457/004 for Full Variation of the Premises Licence).

[REDACTED]

Archibald, Janice

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 30 October 2023 09:28
To: Archibald, Janice
Subject: Wetherspoons application PREM/04457/004

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Dear Janice

Im objecting to the proposal to application **PREM/04457/004**

We have a serious cumulative problem associated with the Otley Run in this area. Despite their licence conditions not permitting large groups in fancy dress, it is clear that Otley Run drinkers do use the establishment and by an extension of the opening hours they will be encouraged to stay out. **I suggest not making this problem any worse.**

Otherwise, we face the risk of adding stress to already strained police resources at that time of night, and will run contrary to our own work - across a multi agency team, local councillors, Police - to combat the promotion of Headingley as only a pub crawl destination.

Background

The crucial background to this objection is the cumulative impact of the Otley Run in Headingley. Leeds City Council has recognised that there is a 'cumulative impact' of drinking venues in the area, because of the pub crawl known as the Otley Run.

Friday and Saturday afternoons and evenings are the worst times for this impact.

Working with local councillors, we recently had the Inner North West Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) revised, and the revised prohibitions show the sorts of problems we're facing as a result of huge numbers of people drinking every Friday and Saturday (and more).

This includes:

- Anti social behaviour and harassment
- Frequent public urination
- Large groups blocking the pavement
- Drug dealing and drug abuse

The case both for the Cumulative Impact Assessment (CIA) and new PSPO rests on how serious these problems are.

Alex Sobel MP

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For information: The Golden Beam (formerly Elinor Lupton Centre) was allowed to open (after considerable local opposition, and as a compromise) on condition that it closed at 11pm every night. Then they were allowed an alcohol licence on the same grounds, for the same hours.

Now, Planning has amended the condition, as a 'compromise' (of a compromise), to later opening, 12.30am on Friday & Saturday. So now JDW is applying for a Variation of the alcohol licence to the same hours, that is an extension to 12.30am on Friday & Saturday nights

If you wish to object, the application reference is PREM/04457/004 for Full Variation of the Premises Licence at The Golden Beam, Headingley Lane, Leeds

LS6 1BX. You can comment online at Public Access at <https://publicaccess.leeds.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?action=simple&searchType=LicencingApplication>

or by email to <entertainment.licensing@leeds.gov.uk> or by post to Entertainment Licensing, Leeds City Council, Civic Hall, Leeds LS1 1UR.

Deadline for comments is the end of the month, 31 October.

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Archibald, Janice

Subject: FW: PREM/04457/004

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 31 October 2023 13:40
To: Entertainment Licensing <Entertainment.Licen@leeds.gov.uk>
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: PREM/04457/004

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PREM/04457/004

Please confirm this objection has been registered from [REDACTED]

I am writing to formally object to Wetherspools asking for yet another amendment and extension to the hours of service granted in the original licensing permission conditions.

I live within 50 meters of the building.

It is becoming increasingly impossible to sleep, to spend time outside, or even with our property windows open because of the noise and antisocial behaviour created by Wetherspools. There are many reasons we have great concerns over the management of this Wetherspools which enables an unpleasant, unsafe environment, essentially encouraging public nuisance.

There is no noise barrier at the pub on our side, just a very small hedge. The smoking area has no barrier to the outside road at all, hence the smoke and noise are noticeably and consistently intrusive.

The noise is not just from the beer garden, but also when customers arrive and leave the pub...

This is presumably why the original planning and licensing permission was conditionally granted if Wetherspools restricted their hours of service.

The original condition of granting licensing permission to use this building as a Wetherspools has not been honoured.

They already consistently serve alcohol later than agreed... So unfortunately, them not adhering to the hours which are already in place, founds a number of concerns - particularly if you were to allow yet another extension of hours.

This is also not the first time Wetherspools have requested a change to the original planning conditions granted either.

It is incredibly concerning that Wetherspools seem to be allowed to flout these agreements and your original decisions and stipulations in order to grant licensing permission keep being overruled.

Having lived in this area for a long time, and seen how destructive Wetherspools has been to this once quiet area of Headingley: there is no doubt that providing extra drinking time, has and will affect noise, create further public nuisance - as well as risk the safety of residents. It is particularly troubling that the council haven't seemed to anticipate this... Or to action reasonable judgement within what is essentially a residential area.

We agree that there is no Otley run in fancy dress seem to be admitted, but they do allow large stag / hen do groups, as well as huge groups of rugby supporters. We have seen evidence of them congregating in the back street, creating instances of public nuisance including using illicit substances, urinating against the wall rather than go inside to the toilet... as well as vomiting on and around our properties and indeed an increase in vandalism. This was not an issue before Wetherspoons took over the building; as a direct consequence, the public nuisance we are experiencing, is making the area feels much less safe.

Currently we cannot get to sleep - particularly after the pub has closed, as those leaving are extremely loud and drunk and take a considerable time to disperse. The staff also choose this time to empty large amounts of glass into their bins - were the pub to stay open later, this would inevitably be a poor consequence and create even more noise, even later at night.

Since Wetherspoons opened... we have new, aggressive and challenging behaviour surrounding us, as well as noise and vandalism to vehicles and property. Increased pollution from cars and taxis, as well as increased littering contributing to the existence of vermin - ie. Rat infestations.

Pushing opening hours even further would have such a significant and detrimental affect on our lives and mental wellbeing. Allowing people to drink for longer in essentially a residential area would inevitably increase the anti social behaviour, public nuisance, vehicle and property damage, as well as the defacement of our buildings that happens on a daily basis.

We appreciate that Wetherspoons have brought an old building back to life. However, when we have approached Wetherspoons regarding the vandalism of vehicles, we were advised their external security cameras are not switched on. This again causes concerns as to how much trust this establishment can be given to act ethically.

Due to the amount of half abandoned pint glasses and bottles left / smashed outside our houses, both myself and my animals have been injured. Which highlights another concern that people are allowed to leave with their drink - essentially encouraging acts of late night public nuisance and drinking... As well as the behaviour associated with that, such as smoking, instances of drug use, fighting, vandalism, graffiti, spitting on residents and their properties, urinating and vomiting on surrounding properties, alongwith aggressive and confrontational behaviour.

By them yet again trying to break the terms of the original licensing permission, it really makes me question my faith in Leeds City Council's integrity. I truly feel that allowing another extension to opening hours, it will have dire consequences for the local neighbours and immediate community.

It has already no doubt affected our safety (my vehicle has been vandalised 3 times since Wetherspoons opened) as well as affecting the health and mental wellbeing of residents. By you seemingly prioritising profit over the risky public nuisances already occurring, our wellbeing as residents and right to live without feeling threatened by antisocial behaviour... Not to mention the cost of vehicle repair and graffiti removal.

I would like it noting it would again be in direct conflict of the residential amenity you frequently quote on the original licensing permission conditions granted.

Regards

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Archibald, Janice

From: planning.comments@leeds.gov.uk
Sent: 14 October 2023 10:07
To: Archibald, Janice
Subject: Comments for Licensing Application PREM/04457/004

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 14/10/2023 10:07 AM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address: Headingley Lane Headingley Leeds LS6 1BX

Proposal: Premises Licence - Full Variation

Case Officer: Miss Janice Archibald

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Customer Details

Name: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour response

Stance: Customer objects to the Licensing Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments: 14/10/2023 10:07 AM As a Headingley resident I write to object to the extension of opening hours and the removal of the condition prohibiting the serving of alcohol to participants in the so-called Otley Run. The original conditions placed on the licensing of these premises were a carefully calculated compromise between the commercial activities of the applicants and the right of the local residents to enjoy living in their neighbourhood. This present application is clearly an attempt to overturn this arrangement when the attention of the local residents is on other problems of living. The residents should not be obliged to remain eternally vigilant to guard against the machinations of the commercial giant in their midst. I have a particular objection to anything which enlarges the dire effects of the Otley Run on Headingley in general. The accumulated effect of masses of drunken people overcrowding the pavements, wandering out on the road, disrupting road crossings and creating noise and disturbance has rendered walking on the streets to do local shopping an unpleasant experience. The extent of

the present level of activities has surely reached the point at which the organisers of the Run should be obliged to seek licensed clearance as they would for a demonstration.

Kind regards

Archibald, Janice

From: planning.comments@leeds.gov.uk
Sent: 09 October 2023 16:58
To: Archibald, Janice
Subject: Comments for Licensing Application PREM/04457/004

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 09/10/2023 4:58 PM from [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address: Headingley Lane Headingley Leeds LS6 1BX

Proposal: Premises Licence - Full Variation

Case Officer: Miss Janice Archibald

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Customer Details

Name: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Comments Details

Commenter
Type: Neighbour response

Stance: Customer objects to the Licensing Application

Reasons for
comment:

Comments: 09/10/2023 4:58 PM We vehemently object to the extension of the sale of alcohol at this premises. Rejecting the application will assist in the prevention of public nuisance. We already suffer, and are often woken up, from singing, shouting and urination on Buckingham Road every Friday & Saturday night. If this application is approved, the public nuisance will only increase.

We are already extremely frustrated that the Council is not taking complaints by local residents seriously, allowing the Golden Beam to extend their opening hours.

Kind regards

Archibald, Janice

Subject: FW: PREM/04457/004

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 24 October 2023 16:33
To: Entertainment Licensing <Entertainment.Licen@leeds.gov.uk>
Subject: PREM/04457/004

Good afternoon,

I write to object to the application of J D Wetherspoon for a variation of their alcohol license at The Golden Beam. There was considerable opposition from local residents and the wider Headingley community to the original license which as Committee members will be aware was permitted under conditions re opening hours i.e 11pm. Plus that Otley Runners would not be admitted.

There is no reason for these restrictions to be removed, as sadly, nothing in Headingley has changed, we still suffer considerably from anti-social behaviour, from disorder and environmental damage. The Otley Run grows exponentially every week, causing ever greater inconvenience and often distress. The Golden Beam remains in the heart of a busy residential area.

I am disapointed that Wetherspoons are seeking this extension and I sincerely urge Committee to reject it/

[REDACTED]

The North Hyde Park Neighbourhood Association has represented the residents of the Headingley Hill and Hyde Park Corner areas for over fifty years. NHPNA objects to the application 23-PREM/04457/004, for extensions to opening hours at the Golden Beam (formerly Elinor Lupton Centre) Headingley Lane Leeds LS6 1BX, and we request that it be rejected.

1. Summary of NHPNA position

NHPNA objects to Wetherspoons' application to extend its opening hours, on the grounds that it breaches or exacerbates all four licensing criteria, as follows:

a) the prevention of crime and disorder

Alcohol reduces people's inhibitions; later opening means some customers will stay longer and drink more alcohol (which is, after all, the business a pub is in...) which in turn tends to lead to poorer decision-making, louder and more frequent shouty disagreements, and to more risk-taking behaviours.

b) public safety

Those risk-taking behaviours include, inter alia, climbing on walls and railings, misjudging the crossing of roads (not least the major arterial A660 running in front of the premises). A drunk is also a member of the public, generally a vulnerable one; this may include being overconfident about a situation unfolding, slower to react when it does, making poorer decisions, then being unable to run quickly without risk of tripping. Sexual and/or physical assaults are more likely to be carried out by drunks and on drunks, and more likely to lead to injury; a drunk person is also, of course, easy pickings for a mugger.

c) prevention of public nuisance

All of the issues noted in b) have the potential to apply here – but in addition, the noise, vomiting, broken glassware, knocking over bins, dropping of litter are all more likely as revellers become more inebriated. It should also be remembered that a drunk crossing the road is not just a hazard to themselves, but also to cyclists and vehicle traffic that has to avoid them; no driver wants to hit and injure (or worse) a pedestrian, and in the unfortunate event that they innocently hit a drunk leaving the pub, that person may well not have 3rd party insurance to make good any damage to the cycle or vehicle they stagger in front of.

d) the protection of children from harm

All of these public order and Antisocial behaviour issues occur already in Headingley, but residents of the streets around the Golden Beam are convinced that their occurrence is greater since the opening of the building as a pub. Under this proposal, the Antisocial behaviours are highly likely to get worse, but crucially for children, they will take place later at night, and will upset sleep to a much greater extent, which will inevitably impact the quality of their learning at school the following day, and thereby harm them by constraining their life chances by missing out on the best education on offer.

All four are closely linked, particularly a) and b) which may be read together.

Finally, NHPNA has ticked the box for "Neighbour Response" as its members are neighbours of the Golden Beam, in some cases as close as Orville Gardens opposite; we have "skin in the game" and are not a detached architectural or similar special interest society.

From [REDACTED]
Sent: 5 Oct 2023 00:12:39 +0100
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: PREM/04457/004

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Dear planners/licencers,

When JD Wetherspoon were originally applying for a licence for the Golden Bean their representatives in person assured me that they were focused on food and families, that they realised that they were closely adjacent to a residential area, and that they would not be part of the 'Otley Run'.

I live in [REDACTED] Headingley and the expansion of the Otley Run in the last few years has had a marked detrimental effect on the neighbourhood ... including antisocial behaviour and endangering people through blocking pavements and roads, during evenings and late into the night. A lot of this behaviour is related to heavy drinking.

Therefore I am writing to you to strongly oppose their application for a variation of their alcohol licence (with an extension to 12.30am, on Friday & Saturday nights).

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 10 Oct 2023 18:18:47 +0100
To: Entertainment Licensing
Subject: Objection to a Licence Variation - PREM/04457/004 (LCC - May Contain Profanity)

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Hi

I'm writing to object to application PREM/04457/004, a proposed variation to the premises licence at The Golden Beam, Headingley Lane, Headingley, Leeds LS6 1BX, on the basis that the proposed variation would be contrary to the licensing objective of the prevention of public nuisance.

I've tried several times to raise my objection through the form on the council website, but I always get an error message, so I'm sending this email instead. I live [REDACTED] [REDACTED] around the corner from the Golden Beam.

The current licence permits the sale of alcohol at the Golden Beam up to 11pm on each day of the week, and the variation asks to extend those hours to 12.30am on Friday and Saturday nights. The reason for extending the licence is clearly to sell more alcohol to customers in the pub, which will lead to people leaving drunker later than before, increasing the likelihood of a public nuisance in the vicinity of the pub.

The impact of this pub on the local community has been raised before previous planning committees, including the hearing for the first application, PREM/04457/001. Planning imposed a condition on the planning permission, which restricted the opening hours as a compromise between a need to preserve a listed building and a need to protect the interests of local residents. Condition 6 restricting the hours of opening was imposed "In the interest of residential amenity" - that is, to prevent public nuisance. The new opening hours and the proposal to vary the licence breach that compromise, in the pub's favour and against the interests of local residents.

At the first hearing, the committee noted that "For any new application, there would have to be a considerable degree of speculation." With the pub having been open for several years, there's no need for speculation anymore, we have evidence of its detrimental impact.

Residents in [REDACTED] have raised numerous issues with the council and with the pub itself, regarding use of the side alley (which affects residents' privacy), obstruction of the entrance to the House, loitering in the grounds, and drinkers using the grounds as a toilet.

Similar problems have been raised in the adjacent terraced streets. A resident at [REDACTED] View states:

"I [REDACTED] have caught people urinating up my garden wall having come from

the pub many times. I am already kept up by drunk people screaming in the street."

Another resident at [REDACTED] states:

"I've already made complaints about noise and increased traffic in the area from patrons of this establishment which Council haven't taken seriously. Things which have increased in the area since it's been open are littering, vandalism, kicking bins, public defecation/urination and drunken abuse as their patrons traverse through our neighbourhood to get to and from there."

[REDACTED] a resident states:

"they allow large stag/hen do groups in fancy dress, as well as huge groups of rugby supporters. We have seen evidence of them congregating in the back street, frequently using illicit substances, urinating against the wall rather than go inside to the toilet... as well as vomiting on and around our properties and indeed an increase in vandalism. The area feels much less safe as a direct consequence. Currently we cannot get to sleep after the pub has closed, as those leaving are extremely loud and drunk and take a considerable time to disperse. The staff also choose this time to empty large amounts of glass into their bins - were the pub to stay open later, this would inevitably be a poor consequence and create even more noise, even later at night ... The amount of abandoned pint glasses and bottles left/smashed outside our houses causes concern that people are allowed to leave with their drink - essentially encouraging late night public drinking... And the behaviour associated with that, such as smoking, instances of drug use, fighting, vandalism, graffiti, spitting on residents and our properties, alongside aggressive and confrontational behaviour."

The nuisance problem has been backed up by the council's own officials. [REDACTED] Senior Technical Officer (Environmental Health) at LCC states:

"I feel that extending the hours will result in the current adverse impacts (as described in the objection comments), taking place at a more noise sensitive time. As a rule, background noise levels subside gradually between early evening and nighttime. Traffic volumes on busy roads fall and there are fewer people walking around the streets. After 11pm there is a much higher risk of sleep disturbance. The greater the difference between the general background level (LA90) and any intrusive noise (LAMax) the more likely it will be that people are woken, suffer disturbed sleep or are prevented from sleeping ... The venue kitchen closes at 23.00 so the extended hours are likely to be used for drinking ... Uninterrupted sleep is a prerequisite for good physiological and mental functioning. The after-effects of poor sleep can be increased fatigue, depressed mood or well-being, and decreased performance. Frequent exposure to nuisance noise can also have adverse physical as well as mental health impacts. In summary, there is a proven association between alcohol use and talking loudly. The location of the venue makes it more likely that residents will be affected by noise from customers who have been drinking there, returning home in small rowdy groups via nearby residential streets on foot. The later the venue is open, the more likelihood there is of causing sleep disturbance. Sleep

disturbance can adversely impact health."

This evidence clearly shows that The Golden Beam is already generating a public nuisance, despite the compromise agreed when the pub was first granted planning permission. The nature of this nuisance, including late night noise, vomiting, and public urination, is clearly linked to drunkenness. Any extension of the licensing hours would by definition lead to more drinking, which would lead to more drunkenness, and greater public nuisance in the residential areas surrounding the pub.

The pub's management might argue that extending their licence won't add to the public nuisance, but past and current examples show that their statements on this can't be trusted. In the covering letter to their planning application, the applicant stated that "the public house has been successfully trading since its opening without any issues or complaints raised from neighbouring residents", despite numerous complaints, some of them quoted above. Either the applicant has so little awareness of what's happening with their business that they don't know about multiple complaints, or they're lying. Either way, their statements on nuisance levels can't be trusted.

Pub management have previously made promises about talking with local residents to take their concerns into account, then shown by their actions that they have no intention of seriously engaging with the local community. I live [REDACTED] on a route drinkers take to and from the Golden Beam, but I've still never received any kind of notification from the Golden Beam about one of their supposed community meetings. I know they have one coming up in November, because a neighbour told me, but no one from the pub made contact. The same thing happened with their last meeting. They claim to be engaging with the community and taking our concerns into account, but can't even be bothered to print out a letter and stick it through the letter boxes of neighbours. If they say that they're engaging with the local community but don't take basic steps to do this, how can their judgment be trusted on the question of whether they're creating a nuisance to that community?

Please refuse permission to application PREM/04457/004 for Full Variation of the Premises Licence at The Golden Beam, Headingley Lane, Headingley, Leeds LS6 1BX, on the grounds that this would be contrary to the licensing objective of preventing public nuisance.

Thanks for your time.

[REDACTED]

Archibald, Janice

Subject: FW: PREM/04457/004 FW: PREM/04457/004: Full Variation of Premises Licence, Golden Beam, Headingley Lane, Headingley, Leeds LS6 1BX. (LCC - May Contain Profanity)

From: Richard Tyler [REDACTED]
Sent: 16 October 2023 15:02
To: Entertainment Licensing <Entertainment.Licen@leeds.gov.uk>
Subject: PREM/04457/004: Full Variation of Premises Licence, Golden Beam, Headingley Lane, Headingley, Leeds LS6 1BX. (LCC - May Contain Profanity)

I have tried to submit this Comment via Public Access more than once, but each time I get a message, "Error while submitting your comments Your comments could not be submitted due to an error in the system." Hence, I am now submitting directly -

I write to object to application PREM/04457/004 for Full Variation of the Premises Licence at The Golden Beam, Headingley Lane, Headingley, Leeds LS6 1BX. I object that the variation proposed would be contrary to the licensing objective of **the prevention of public nuisance**.

The current Licence permits the sale of alcohol at the premises up to 11pm on each day of the week, while the variation proposes to extend those hours to 12.30am on Friday and Saturday nights. I contend that such an extension would increase public nuisance in the vicinity of the pub.

The Committee will be aware that planning permission has been granted for the pub to open until 12.30am on Friday & Saturday nights. However, as noted at the Hearing for the first application, PREM/04457/001, on 11 February 2020, the Committee noted, "The fact that planning permission had been granted was not a consideration for the Committee deciding the licence application." Nevertheless, the evidence submitted to Planning is material to the present licensing application.

First of all, the present hours of opening should remain restricted. At the first Hearing, "The Committee noted the operating schedule. The terminal hours sought were not particularly late." This was precisely because Planning had imposed a Condition on the planning permission, which restricted the hours of opening of the pub. And this in turn was because the permission was a compromise between a need to preserve a Listed Building and a need to protect the amenity of local residents. Condition 6 restricting the hours of opening was imposed "In the interest of residential amenity" - that is, for the prevention of public nuisance. The new revision of the opening hours is in fact a breach of that compromise.

Secondly, evidence shows the current impact of the pub on that residential amenity. At the first Hearing, the Committee noted that "For any new application, there would have to be a considerable degree of speculation." The present application is not a new hearing, and there is no need for speculation. The applicant has claimed that the compromise has been successful. Their Covering Letter to their planning application stated that "the public house has been successfully trading since its opening without any issues or complaints raised from neighbouring residents." This is not the case. There is in fact ample evidence of the detrimental impact of the pub on residential amenity, that is, the pub does actually cause public nuisance.

The pub impacts on its immediate neighbours [REDACTED]. Residents [REDACTED] have raised numerous issues with the Council and with *The Golden Beam* itself, regarding use of the side alley (with impact on privacy), obstruction [REDACTED] [REDACTED] loitering in the grounds and using them as a lavatory.

The pub impacts on its near neighbours in the adjacent terraced streets, the Manors and Richmonds. A resident [REDACTED] [REDACTED] have caught people urinating up my garden wall having

come from the pub many times. I am already kept up by drunk people screaming in the street." Another resident [REDACTED] states, "I've already made complaints about noise and increased traffic in the area from patrons of this establishment which Council haven't taken seriously. Things which have increased in the area since it's been open are littering, vandalism, kicking bins, public defecation/urination and drunken abuse as their patrons traverse through our neighbourhood to get to and from there." And [REDACTED], a resident states, "they allow large stag/hen do groups in fancy dress, as well as huge groups of rugby supporters. We have seen evidence of them congregating in the back street, frequently using illicit substances, urinating against the wall rather than go inside to the toilet... as well as vomiting on and around our properties and indeed an increase in vandalism. The area feels much less safe as a direct consequence. Currently we cannot get to sleep after the pub has closed, as those leaving are extremely loud and drunk and take a considerable time to disperse. The staff also choose this time to empty large amounts of glass into their bins - were the pub to stay open later, this would inevitably be a poor consequence and create even more noise, even later at night ... The amount of abandoned pint glasses and bottles left/smashed outside our houses causes concern that people are allowed to leave with their drink - essentially encouraging late night public drinking... And the behaviour associated with that, such as smoking, instances of drug use, fighting, vandalism, graffiti, spitting on residents and our properties, alongside aggressive and confrontational behaviour."

Finally, [REDACTED], Senior Technical Officer (Environmental Health) at LCC states, "I feel that extending the hours will result in the current adverse impacts (as described in the objection comments), taking place at a more noise sensitive time. As a rule, background noise levels subside gradually between early evening and nighttime. Traffic volumes on busy roads fall and there are fewer people walking around the streets. After 11pm there is a much higher risk of sleep disturbance. The greater the difference between the general background level (LA90) and any intrusive noise (LAMax) the more likely it will be that people are woken, suffer disturbed sleep or are prevented from sleeping ... The venue kitchen closes at 23.00 so the extended hours are likely to be used for drinking ... Uninterrupted sleep is a prerequisite for good physiological and mental functioning. The after-effects of poor sleep can be increased fatigue, depressed mood or well-being, and decreased performance. Frequent exposure to nuisance noise can also have adverse physical as well as mental health impacts. In summary, there is a proven association between alcohol use and talking loudly. The location of the venue makes it more likely that residents will be affected by noise from customers who have been drinking there, returning home in small rowdy groups via nearby residential streets on foot. The later the venue is open, the more likelihood there is of causing sleep disturbance. Sleep disturbance can adversely impact health."

Thus, evidence clearly shows that public nuisance is generated by the pub known as The Golden Beam. And this public nuisance arises despite the compromise agreed when the pub was first granted planning permission, and its licensing hours established accordingly. Any extension of the licensing hours would be contrary to the original licensing and planning compromise, and would lead to an increase in public nuisance in the residential areas surrounding the pub.

Therefore, I respectfully request that the Licensing Committee refuse permission to application PREM/04457/004 for Full Variation of the Premises Licence at The Golden Beam, Headingley Lane, Headingley, Leeds LS6 1BX, on the grounds that this would be contrary to the licensing objective of preventing public nuisance.

[REDACTED]

Archibald, Janice

Subject: FW: PREM/04457/004 FW: The Golden Beam (Elinor Lupton Centre)
PREM/04457/004

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 13 October 2023 14:30
To: Entertainment Licensing <Entertainment.Licen@leeds.gov.uk>
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: The Golden Beam (Elinor Lupton Centre) PREM/04457/004

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Dear Licensing,

I wish to object to the application by Wetherspoons to extend the licenced hours of the Golden Beam to 12.30am.

Despite considerable community objection, these premises were permitted on the strict understanding that the hours would not extend beyond 11pm and that Otley Runners would not be admitted. It is absurd to even consider removing these restrictions, as the premises are in the centre of a busy residential area and outside the defined Town Centre of Headingley.

An extension of the hours would add nothing to the amenity of the area but would contribute to the anti-social behaviour that currently blights the area.

[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

For information: The Golden Beam (formerly Elinor Lupton Centre) was allowed to open (after considerable local opposition, and as a compromise) on condition that it closed at 11pm every night. Then they were allowed an alcohol licence on the same grounds, for the same hours.

Now, Planning has amended the condition, as a 'compromise' (of a compromise), to later opening, 12.30am on Friday & Saturday. So now JDW is applying for a Variation of the alcohol licence to the same hours, that is an extension to 12.30am on Friday & Saturday nights

If you wish to object, the application reference is PREM/04457/004 for Full Variation of the Premises Licence at The Golden Beam, Headingley Lane, Leeds LS6 1BX. You can comment online at Public Access at <https://publicaccess.leeds.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?action=simple&searchType=LicencingApplication> or by email to <entertainment.licensing@leeds.gov.uk> or by post to Entertainment Licensing, Leeds City Council, Civic Hall, Leeds LS1 1UR. Deadline for comments is the end of the month, 31 October.

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Archibald, Janice

Subject: FW: PREM/04457/004 FW: Wetherspoons The Beam Otley Road
PREM/04457/004

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 13 October 2023 19:37
To: Entertainment Licensing <Entertainment.Licen@leeds.gov.uk>
Subject: Wetherspoons The Beam Otley Road PREM/04457/004

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Dear Sirs

I object to the application by Wetherspoons to extend their opening hours at the Golden Beam to a later time.

These premises were only granted an alcohol license on the strict understanding that the hours would not go beyond 11pm and that Otley Runners would not be allowed. This was granted despite a lot of community opposition and despite the fact that it contravened the cumulative impact policy. It would make a nonsense of the original decision and would not add anything for the local community.

I believe such an extension would also increase public nuisance and decrease the safety of the public in the area

Yours faithfully

[REDACTED]

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