

Objection to The New Inn's application to extend its licencing hours in Horning

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Horning, NR12 8PF (Premises licence number LN/00000918) to extend its opening hours until 12.30 am with half an hours 'drinking up time' on the following grounds

Crime and Disorder.

We object to the application for an extension of licencing hours for the New Inn in Horning which is situated in the middle of what is a residential area. The application would mean the New Inn which currently closes at 11pm would be allowed to remain open until 12.30am or even 1am if half an hour's drinking up time is taken into account. This is likely to bring those who want to sleep into conflict with those who want to socialise late into the night. We object on the grounds of a potential increase in crime and anti-social behaviour in the heart of our village community. Such behaviour is well documented in other areas with late night venues. Specifically, alcohol related incidents, an increase in demand for the sale of illegal drugs and vandalism.

Public Safety.

We have serious concerns about public safety. Anger and alcohol is never a good combination, especially near rivers and lakes. Be it from disturbed residents or holiday makers or late-night pub goers, there is a serious public safety concern here. We also object to this application because of Parking limitations. There is very limited parking in the area. We are concerned about the extra traffic that extended hours will generate on Lower Street which is narrow where the New Inn is located. It has a small car park for a maximum of around 12 cars and there is limited street parking in that area. If this application is granted and once late-night drinking and catering it is advertised, people from the surrounding area to the New Inn, are likely to be attracted to the Horning venue once pubs in their own areas have closed. We are concerned that cars parked by pub-goers near the New Inn could cause access problems for emergency service vehicles. We think that if the application for the variation in the New Inn's licencing hours is allowed, the council will be ignoring their social responsibility towards residents of Horning and the health and safety of visitors as well.

Prevention of Public Nuisance

Horning has many rental properties and people on holiday are likely to be attracted to a venue that offers late night drink and food. Most will walk to the New Inn. This granting of this application will mean that those walking back to their properties in the early hours of the morning, some inebriated or simply chatting loudly will disturb many residents trying to sleep. Because of the later closing hours, possibly up to 1am, this change has the capacity to bring residents and holidaymakers awakened by noise from pub customers, into direct conflict.

Protection of Children

Our final objection pertains to the protection of Children. Throughout the holiday season many families come to Horning for their holidays, including those on boats. We feel that children deserve not to be disturbed or woken up at late at night. Granting the New Inn permission to extend its opening hours to half an hour past mid-night and possibly as late as 1am, with added drinking up time, seven days a week is likely to precisely have this affect.

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