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Sent: 21 June 2015 22:15

To: Charlie Fletcher

Subject: Re: RE: WK/201501807

■ Stanley Villas

Forest Road

Binfield

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Dear Mr Fletcher,

I wish to submit a formal objection to the changes being considered at the former Daruchini Restaurant on Forest Road, Binfield and in particular, appeal against the proposed sale of alcohol on site & until 2300.

My objections are based on:

- prevention of crime and disorder
- public safety
- prevention of public nuisance
- protection of children from harm

The Prevention of Crime and Disorder

The sale of alcohol on site will increase the opportunity for crime and disorder in the Village community. There has recently been a ram raid at the Spar and Post Office and we have personally witnessed the other retail units being broken into on Forest Road. By offering alcohol for sale on site we feel that this will be attractive to further break ins. The sale of alcohol for off- site consumption will offer the opportunity for anti- social behaviour leading to crime and disorder.

Public Safety/ the protection of children from harm

We feel that public safety will be affected by the increase in traffic. The nature of a restaurant means that there are set opening hours where people visit and remain for a period of time, usually the evening if looking at the Daruchini. A supermarket will be open for long periods with many vehicles frequenting the site for short amounts of time. We believe that by granting a premise licence this will attract more people to the site to purchase alcohol and therefor levels of traffic will increase dramatically.

The site is very close to the village roundabout which is a bottleneck at various times during the day, this supermarket would be served by large delivery trucks & access is unsuitable. Even the public buses can't turn the corner & HGV's are frequently getting stuck.

The car park is used by parents dropping their children to the junior school, morning & afternoons. At present the restaurant is closed during these times - a supermarket would mean conflicting traffic use at this time, overcrowding & a health and safety risk for the children. By granting a premise licence this would give purpose for

increased traffic during these hours. I would also give consideration to children being aware of alcohol being sold at during these hours.

The prevention of public nuisance

Binfield is a village community where offering a further retail outlet offering the sale of alcohol may attract drunk and disorderly behaviour causing public nuisance. I am aware that the previous premises licence in respect of this property permitted both on and off sales of alcohol until 2300 Sun-Thur and 0000 Fri-Sat, thus this will actually be a reduction in hours from what was previously licensed. By changing the licence conditions to only being consumed off site will only have a negative effect on the Village - by encouraging irresponsible drinking, putting the young community/children at risk of being allowed to purchase alcohol.

The pubs in Binfield have an excellent reputation and provide an environment for responsible consumption of alcohol. The Co-op application will provide further opportunity for the sale of alcohol to be undertaken without any responsibility and duty of care. The site location is high profile to the passing traffic and community making it easy for anyone to stop.

In terms of the gathering of people drinking irresponsibly, the reason I believe that this application will cause a significant increase in the type of such activity is that alcohol will be sold for sole use off site. The Spar closes much earlier (9pm week days, 8pm weekends) and other premises nearby where alcohol is available at later hours already serve the community and further provision is unnecessary.

In summary, please consider the nearby residents who overlook the site, we will be disturbed by the traffic, deliveries and the opportunity for people to drink irresponsibly in the village. I believe for reasons of the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety, prevention of public nuisance and the protection of children from harm this licence application should be refused.

Please acknowledge receipt of this objection and advise me what steps are being taken.

Yours Sincerely

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