

**From:**

**Sent:** 22 September 2020 18:01

**To:** Licence All

**Subject:** Objection- Application for New Club Premises: Crowthorne Rugby Football Club

Reference number: LI/20/00556/LACLU1

Dear

I am writing as a Crowthorne resident who lives on Lower Broadmoor Road to strongly object to the Sale of Alcohol and Recorded music and Live Music licences to be passed.

The reasons for this objection include a few categories such as the safety of the neighbourhood, the general wellbeing of its citizens, littering, the environment and the danger it would pose to the wildlife who live in the area and surrounding area.

**Safety of the Neighbourhood**

The admission of alcohol on the site will no doubt produce intoxicated individuals who will be in a very close proximity of the houses in the neighbourhood. Whilst in such a state, the behaviour of intoxicated people will be unpredictable, and this of course will prove to be a danger to themselves, and the people living in the houses which also include small children. We do not want the safety of our residents to be compromised due to the Sale of Alcohol licence.

Additionally, this is certainly not in the favour for the attendees of the club as it greatly reduces their safety. The area in which the club is based in is an extremely open space; therefore it would be easy for a person in a blurred state to freely wander and find themselves lost. This will be particularly disadvantageous in the evening as there will not be much light.

Therefore, we strongly object to the passing of the Sale of Alcohol licence, no matter the day or time proposed.

**General wellbeing of members in the neighbourhood**

The recorded and live music will prove to be a nuisance for the members of the neighbourhood as this will create noise pollution.

Firstly, even without the presence of music, the matches which presently take place at the club are already loud enough to cause a disturbance amongst the neighbourhood. Adding music to this noise will only amplify this disturbance.

The licence for the music is proposed to be permitted on a Saturday between the hours of 17:00 and 23:00. This is especially unacceptable as it is on weekend day in which the residents of this neighbourhood are meant to relax; the residents who attend school will be doing their schoolwork and this is particularly important due to the disruption of education due to COVID 19. The sleep schedule of residents and especially the young children will be severely disrupted as they will be unable to sleep due to the loud noise from the Rugby Club. I must emphasise that this will affect the quality of living for the residents and will no doubt affect and disturb the peace and tranquillity our neighbourhood possesses. No one in this

neighbourhood also plays loud music for these reasons on any day and any time of the week. Therefore, we strongly object to the passing of the Recorded and Live Music licence to be passed, no matter the day or time proposed.

**Environment, Littering and Danger to wildlife**

Ever since the construction of the rugby club, there have been more visitors to our area. Unfortunately, we have noticed and significantly increased amount of litter, some of which have landed in the front gardens.

The permission to sell alcohol and play music would attract more people to the general area and this will result in more littering. Not only is this a legal offence but it will also create an eyesore and most importantly it will also be a danger for the wildlife surrounding the area. This area is home to a plethora of wildlife such as deers, cats, birds, hedgehogs, foxes etc. The litter will no doubt be hazardous to their lives and also their habitats. We have a lot of respect for the wildlife in our area and we do not wish any of the animals to be harmed. Therefore, this is another reason we are strongly against the licences.

As an additional note, we believe it is unnecessary to pass these licences as there is alcohol and live music readily available in the Crowthorne high street which are a mere 10-15 minutes walk away. This will be a more safe and convenient option as there are shops in the same area.

I trust that the above objections will be taken fully into account in determining this application.

Thank you very much. Please do let me know if you have any questions at all. I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,