

## Arlene Dunbar

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**Sent:** 04 May 2016 11:10  
**To:** Arlene Dunbar  
**Subject:** FW: Alcohol licence application - Chetan Aggarwal, Donside Stores, 1 Donside Street, Donside Village, Tillydrone

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 04 May 2016 10:52  
**To:** Jacqui Wallace  
**Subject:** Re: Alcohol licence application - Chetan Aggarwal, Donside Stores, 1 Donside Street, Donside Village, Tillydrone

Hi Jacqui,

I am emailing you in my capacity as Chair of, and on behalf of, the Donside Community Association (DCA).

For your information, the DCA has been formed for over 3 years and is made up of a group of people who live and work within the village. We are all volunteers and meet on a regular monthly basis to discuss planning for the village, initiatives, events and issues that concern our local community. All of the community are invited to attend the meetings and take an active role within the DCA, and participate in the activities/events on offer.

Over the time we have been formed we have been able to have a positive impact on the village and have progressed a number of initiatives designed to enhance the community we live in.

We were delighted to finally see our village store open and the shop has been a very welcome addition to the amenities of the village.

At our most recent meeting, on 25th April 2016, we discussed the fact that Donside Store has applied for a licence to sell alcohol and we decided that as a community group, we wished to support this application (from Chetan Aggarwal, proprietor).

Our reasons for this are that we would see being able to buy a range of alcoholic drinks would be what one would normally expect from a local convenience store. We do not anticipate there would be any problems with this - we are a small community, the people serving in the shop are mostly local people, who know their customers, and therefore issues such as underage drinking, alcohol abuse would be unlikely/less likely to occur.

In addition, we want to support the shop and see it become a thriving, successful business - we have had to wait over 3 years for the shop to be opened and feel that selling alcohol would be an enhancement of the already welcome addition of a small general store to our community.

In terms of what sort of alcohol we would like to see, we do not have anything specific in mind, and do not wish to prejudge individual people's choices in this, but would hope to have a range of wine, beer/lager/cider and spirits.

We hope you will look at this application favourably, so please do not hesitate to get back to me should you need any further information with regard to the DCA's support of the application,

kind regards

Jane Fullerton  
Chair, Donside Community Association

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