

Licensing

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 February 2017 19:39
To: Licensing
Subject: Objection to application for extended opening hours of College Bar, Alford Place

Good morning

I would like to object to the application lodged to vary the premises licence for College Bar, Alford Place, Aberdeen.

The application is to extend the opening hours until 2am and I object for the following reasons:

- I live directly opposite the bar at [REDACTED]. I am severely affected by the noise levels during the week when the bar is open until Midnight Monday – Thursday and 1am Friday and Saturday. My standard of living would be further affected if this were to stay open for another hour.
- There is a lot of noise coming from both the music coming from the bar and the patrons. The outside smoking area has no restrictions, meaning that anyone can sit out and drink until closing. This causes a lot of disturbance, especially during the summer months, and will only be made worse if this is extended. There is no “policing” of this outside area nor any recognition that although the area is city centre, there are residential properties nearby.
- The owners of the College also own Babylon and I have had dealing with them in the past with concerns regarding noise disturbance. On discussions around Babylon noise, the establishment made no attempt to mitigate this. I appreciate that this is a separate application however, regard should be had to how the establishment deals with complaints and concerns and whether they will be willing to take measures to prevent disturbance. Experience has shown that this establishment do not take measures and are not concerned with the disturbance it causes.

My standard of living in the flat is already affected by the noise, particularly during weeknights. I have no doubt it will be severely effected should it open until 2am. I would ask you to consider the impact that this bar already has on nearby residents and the inevitable disturbance that it would cause if it were to be allowed to vary the licence.

Kind regards,

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