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Application received by Newark & District Council Licensing Authority for variation of Premises Licence No. 001300 for the adding of the Barn to the plan and to change the sale of alcohol on & off the premises opening hours. The Plan is the drawing of the total site of the OBI administered by the above licence submitted as part of the application.

We object to the change in the proposed licensing hours for the following reasons
THE PREVENTION OF PUBLIC NUISANCE

- (1) Longer early morning opening hours risks noise and anti-social behaviour especially when the Barn and its envisaged 80+ additional customers becomes operational
- (2) Longer early morning hours would increase vehicular traffic upon which the (OBI) is reliant, causing noise and disturbance to residents of Oxtan village seeking restful sleep, particularly those living closely nearby.
- (3) Such an increase in vehicular traffic enhances the risk of drink driving and some of its disastrous outcomes. There is no public transport provision to and from Oxtan village between the hours of 1800:00 and 0720:00 the following day
- (4) Oxtan is a small rural village having two (2) public houses. We do not want it to gain a Green searchlight that targets it as a destination for late night/early morning revelling .

PUBLIC SAFETY

On site parking at the (OBI) has been seriously eroded. Notwithstanding the building works currently underway, there is ordinarily still insufficient parking provision for customers despite the applicant pleasingly adding 20+ spaces last year. The shortfall results in off street parking in a highly dangerous location along the B6386 road, around the acute bend from it and onto Main Street. This would be exacerbated by the planned for 80+ increase in patrons associated with the opening of the Barn.

Licence No. 001300 was granted in June 2008 following significant inputs from the then and current applicant Everards Brewery Limited, respondents who had submitted concerns or complaints during the consultation period, and the Licensing Authority themselves after they had obtained advice from the police and other relevant responsible bodies. Since that date the licence has been effective. The majority of persons affected by the operating schedules of the licence have together lived in a state of peaceful co-existence with the current tenant commenting that the (OBI) is now a profitable business.

In summation we contend that as it now is, Licence No. 001300 is working and that there should be no change to its opening hours for the sale of alcohol.

As the old adage goes "if it is not broken then do not try and fix it".

We ask please that in your deliberations you consider and adopt our objections.

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