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□ Dear Sir / Madam

Following the recent withdrawal of an application for a variation of a licence, we now want to object in the strongest possible terms to the granting of a new licence in respect of the establishment above.

We wish to implore members of the committee to consider the following:-

We have seen during the past 6 months that the majority of young people have consistently ignored the rules imposed on them due to Covid 19. We have seen numerous examples recently of young people congregating outside premises which have closed due to the curfew imposed and continued to drink.

Clearly a nightclub is going to attract this age group and it is clear that if the licensing hours are increased to 1am on Friday and Saturday nights, we are going to see drinking and antisocial behaviour until at least 2am if not longer.

The responsibility for supervising adherence to the licence falls firstly on the owner of the establishment. Past performance is not always an indication of what will happen in the future, but given the disregard which has happened over the years, it is quite likely that the requirements set out by the Police in respect of the previous application and included in this application will be ignored in the pursuit of profit.

It therefore would rest on the Council and Police to monitor and enforce the requirements of the licence. I have recently contacted the Council in respect of a complaint against the Nags Head and not received any reply.

However I have no doubt that the residents living nearby will monitor the adherence to the licence and will be contacting both the Council and the Police on a regular basis.

I would like to ask the Committee members whether they would honestly vote for this licence if they were living 50 yards away from the establishment.

I would now like to address the points made in the application.

The prevention of crime and disorder

The statement made by Woodies does not address the problem of people leaving the nightclub after 1pm.

Public Safety

Woodies does not believe that additional steps are required. Allowing people to drink until 1am surely increases the probability of antisocial behaviour.

The prevention of public nuisance.

People will congregate outside of the building to smoke even if they can not drink after 10pm and this will result in excessive noise all evening. I would be surprised if the Woodies staff would be in a position to monitor every 15 minutes even if they had the inclination to do so.

As has been pointed out in the other objections, Woodies is located in a mainly residential area and It is quite obvious that all residents will be subject to excessive noise from 1am in the morning.

Yours faithfully

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