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*Subject :* Woodies ref 20/01201/LAPRE New Premises Licence - **Objection**

As a local resident familiar with the Eastgate Square environment I wish to object to the application by Woodies, 10-13 St Pancras, Chichester for a new premises licence to allow the sale of alcohol, refreshments and the provision of live and recorded music until 0:45 am on Friday and Saturday nights, with a public closing time of 1:00 am on those nights.

My Objections are principally that:

The Eastgate Square development surrounding the New Park Road car park is in a conservation area and is a quiet residential area with a high density of town houses, flats and rented rooms. The provision of late-night live and recorded music and drinking with a closing time of 1:00 am in premises with direct access to the car park is totally inappropriate and unacceptable. The nearby Nags Head public house has a licence until 11:00pm or later, and already causes some nuisance and disturbance at weekends. To agree to a new establishment with a further 1-2 hours of drinking time almost next door would inevitably turn the car park into a late-night trouble spot.

Recently Woodies posted a public notice which included the following:

***'The Annex', soon to be Chichester's hottest live music venue, located conveniently right next to Woodies, will bring Chichester to life. Delivering the best of local DJs and live music to your ears and to your feet, ...***

The Committee will be aware of the numerous contraventions of Woodies previous licensing conditions and their misleading extravagant language to the public prior to approval of a licence, suggests they will pay little or no intention of complying with restrictions within their new application.

The confusion between Woodies and The Annexe as separate or the same premises, implies that late night access and egress will be from and to the New Park Road Car Park as well as to St Pancras, leading to inevitable noise and disturbance to the residences surrounding the car park, well beyond the public closing times of 1:00 am.



The current building works at Woodies are not close to completion, so I am amazed to see that Mr Horne, the Principal Environmental Health Officer has already indicated that he does not propose to raise any representations.

If Chichester is to have a New Nightclub, it should not be based in a dense residential setting. A location within the existing Southgate entertainment complex would be a much more suitable environment with much less direct nuisance impact on residential premises.

I urge the Licensing Committee to refuse this new premises application from Woodies, following the withdrawal of their previous application to vary their existing licence. Agreeing to it would seriously damage the nature of the residential area around Eastgate Square and would establish a potential trouble spot for late night disturbances.

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