

Mid Suffolk District Council Licensing authority 131 High Street Needham Market Ipswich Suffolk IP6 8DL

28th July, 2014

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Yours sincerely

Steven Frost

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Yours sincerely

Debbie Lond

Mid Suffolk District Council, Licensing Department, 131 High Street, Needham Market, IPSWICH IP6 8DL

30th. July 2014

Dear Sir,

OBJECTION TO APPLICATION TO AMEND THE ALCOHOL AND LIVE MUSIC LICENCE FOR THE DOLPHIN INN, BURY ROAD, WORTHAM :-

BY- SCOTTISH AND NEWCASTLE PUB ENTERPRISES (MANAGEMENT) LTD

I would like to lodge an objection to the terms of the above license application for the Dolphin Inn which is to extend the hours when live music can be played and alcohol be served. The current licence allows for music to be played up until 11.30pm on any two evenings between Thursday and Saturday. My objection is on the following grounds:-

- Noise nuisance the premises is of pre 1900 construction and lacks sound proofing. The terms of the current licence requires the doors to be kept closed when live music is playing. This does not occur on a regular basis. There is no moderation of the volume by the performers, the outcome of which is that on a regular basis the sound of the live music is can be heard in my living room above that of the television. Going to sleep before 11.30pm is not a possibility. Music is frequently played beyond the permitted time and has been since the licence was granted in 2008. I have approached the Mid Suffolk District Council on this point but have now given up as my complaints do not appear to gain traction. I have also made direct contact with the premises managers who appeared to be unaware of the terms of the licence. Knowledge of it however in the main has made no difference to their behaviour.
- Antisocial behaviour
  - I have been subject to men urinating into my hedge in front of my house as I walk my dog on Friday evenings.
  - o Empty glasses regularly left on my lawn together with other rubbish
  - Shouting and high levels of vehicular noise as people leave the premises
  - Cars double parked around the front of the pub making access to my home difficult with an unused rear car park.

In summary I live in a quiet Suffolk village with a small population. I have no objection to the pub if it is operated as a pub.

I do however strongly object to the playing of live music as two of the four licencing objectives:-

- 1. public nuisance
- 2. noise

have not been met on a regular basis since the licence has been in place and appear to be unlikely to be met going forward.

Yours sincerely

Susan Wright

5/8/14

Mid Suffolk District Council, Licensing Department, 131 High Street, Needham Market, IPSWICH IP6 8DL

1st August 2014

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Since the licence was issued in 2008 there has been scant notice taken of its term. Any extension to the existing conditions will only serve to aggravate the current nuisance experienced by my family and neighbours.

Yours sincerely

**Keith Wright**