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Mid Suffolk District Council Licencing Authority

Endeavour House

8 Russell Road

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Dear Sirs

Application for Addition to Drawing NO.21A of External Bar Servery

Swan Public House Needham Market

Dear Sirs,

I wish to object to the above variation to the existing licence as displayed on the door post of the Pub.

My garden runs the whole length of the Swan garden and as I live next door but one to the Pub I am used to hearing some noise from the Pub garden, but during the summer when we all want to enjoy a summers evening it can be a nuisance when things get a bit rowdy. I am very concerned that the external bar could be open from 11am to 11pm.

Surely alcohol doesn't need to be sold from 11 am as that is coffee time. 12noon is the usual time to start serving alcohol.

More concerning is serving until 11pm from the external bar that will result in people staying in the garden until late and staff having to clear up in the garden much later thus creating more noise until about midnight.

As this is a residential area I do think that some thought should be given to the families that are close by and that the proposed servery bar should only be open for alcohol over the weekend and only when there is a special function. Are people too lazy to go inside the pub to buy a drink?

Please would you consider this application very carefully about the opening times of the external bar.

Although I live next door but one to the Swan I received no letter about this application. The public notice was displayed on a door post obscured until recently by scaffolding and I only noticed it by chance.

Yours sincerely

Sally Griffiths