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Red Lion - Wheelton

Licence Application

Act Now

to avoid the risk of

Noise, Nuisance and Anti Social Behaviour?

It's a sad reflection of our times that so many of our local pubs are struggling to remain viable. The response however should not be to risk making these establishments a potential focus for activities they were never designed to cater for and creating problems and nuisance where none existed before.

The current licence application for Red Lion is not appropriate in its current form and we need to let those within the Council know that before making a decision on this application.

The current licence application seeks permission for drink, live and recorded music from 9 am till 1 am <u>every day of the week</u>.

I hope you will agree that whilst wanting to support the provision of local facilities, businesses and amenities this application is simply not appropriate for the following reasons:

- The pub sits at the heart of the village amidst and immediately adjacent to very many family homes with young children and accommodation for older residents at Ryecroft and Ryefield
- The pub sits immediately opposite the village War Memorial gardens, a place of peace and a place where we remember our family and friends lost in conflict
- A planning application for a new facility with such uses across such hours would be unlikely to be approved in this location
- There are already recognised local parking issues in the village and the pub is located close to a significant pinch point for vehicles including, and in particular, public service vehicles. More visiting vehicles will inevitably have to park throughout the village as the car park has space for less than 10 cars. This will potentially cause more widespread disturbance as visitors leave in the early hours of the morning
- There are school and nursery facilities close by where any activity not wholly confined within the premises could have an impact
- The village and in particular the highway immediately adjacent the Red Lion act as a pick up point for a large number of local schools which means that twice each day large numbers of school children of all ages are in attendance waiting for or leaving local school buses.

- Levels of background noise in this location are currently low and the effect of introducing regular music events will seriously impact on the residential amenity
- ¹⁴ of the area and potentially be harmful to the quality of family life for local residents. The building is old and will inevitably 'leak' noise through it's windows and each time the doors are opened
- Increased numbers of customers leaving the premises to smoke outside at the front entrance will add further noise nuisance and potential litter to this central location

Please act now and record your objection to this application in its current form. An e-mail or letter will be fine but MUST mention that this application goes against the Council's licensing objectives and that you are concerned about the level of public nuisance that might be created. Contact Chorley Council and let them have your comments by 24th July

by email to:

Stephen.culleton@chorley.gov.uk

or in writing to:

Mr S Culleton, Licensing Team, Chorley Borough Council, Civic Offices, Union Street, Chorley.

You can view the application:

http://pianning.chorley.gov.uk/onlineapplications/advancedSearchResults.do;jsessionid=219FE5EF3AAC11063529638D685E9AA3 ?action=firstPage

or search the Chorley Council web site for - Licence application Number: 13/01310/LAPLA

Copy your letter to your local councillor: <u>marie.gray@chorley.gov.uk;</u> chris.france@chorley.gov.uk; alison.hansford@chorley.gov.uk

You can also copy any response to the Chair of the Licensing committee at Chorley Council: marion.lowe@chorley.gov.uk