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Subject: Opposition to application number MA/57050, variation of opening hours, Cotford, St Luke, the chapel pub

For the attention of the licensing officer

Opposition to Planning application, MA/57050

The chapel pub Cotford, St Luke

Application to vary premises license extending hours for alcohol and live music

Dear, sir, madam,

I own a house right opposite the chapel pub in Cotford St Luke which is a very small village.

I strongly oppose this application.

The chapel has put an application in to extend the hours to serve our alcohol and for live music, Monday to Friday 11 am until midnight and Saturdays 11 am until 1230 midnight

With the opening hours, even as they are most Friday and Saturday nights late at night going on into midnight myself and my children are woken by drunk people coming out of the pub, shouting and kicking off outside of our house and at times, this has been quite frightening and woken up my children. It also worries me as a single mother. I also worry about damage to my house , and the live music we can hear very loudly but at least we know at the moment with the hours as they are this will stop around 11 1130, but the thought of this going on until midnight is horrendous !! and of course we have now drunks (usually teenagers and young adults ) spilling out of the pub after midnight, shouting and kicking off in the co-op car co-op car park which is right outside my house and on many occasions they are stood right outside my house in my front garden arguing shouting, laughing absolutely plastered. I therefore oppose this application and I do hope that others in the village do so, this will not be appropriate for our village.

Also, I strongly believe that these opening hours in the pub as I live right opposite, it may almost definitely affect the selling price of my property as the first thing potential buyers ask is what are the opening hours of the pub!

Also a planning application has been passed for another 80 houses to be built on the fringe of our small village. This of course is going to increase the amount of people using the pub and I suspect the reason why they have put in for these extended hours, another reason to oppose

Kind regards.

Ashleigh Cobden