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Ref: AGS/32991/365/RPB
Premises Licensing Application : Rontec Watford Limited
Portsbridge Service Station, Portsmouth Road, Portsmouth PO62SJ

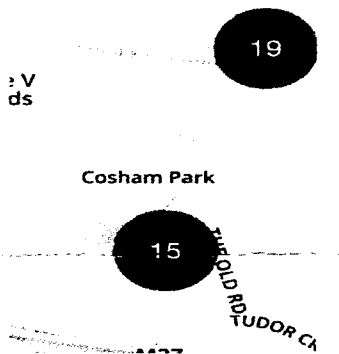
Dear Sir/ Madam,

I am writing to register my strong objection to both points of the application for a premises licence by Rontec Watford Limited, Portsbridge Service Station, Portsmouth Road, Portsmouth PO62SJ.

Point 1. The sale of alcohol daily between the hours of 0000 and 2400 for consumption off the premises.

Point 2. The provision of late night refreshments daily between the hours of 2300 and 0500.

The basis for this opposition is that granting a licence for these premises will not promote the licensing objectives, particularly the prevention of crime, disorder and antisocial behaviour. Last summer in this small area alone there were over thirty crimes in just one month of the summer which was predominately Anti-Social behaviour, Public order or violence! This is also only the ones that have been reported.



Enabling the premises to sell alcohol would be totally detrimental to the aims and objectives of both the Police and Council in reducing these incidents. Granting a licence would provide a further source of alcohol within an area already so heavily populated with licensed premises that crime, disorder and public nuisance have already reached problem levels for the overstretched local police.

Residents in this area already suffer noise nuisance and antisocial behaviour at all hours of the day and night. We have already endured this inconvenience since the MacDonaldis and service station first arrived in the area. Currently after the hours of 23:00 the noise, public order, nuisance and inconvenience is generally reduced.

However if this license were to be granted there is NO doubt this would cause significant issues throughout the day as well as into the night and it is totally unacceptable to expect the residents to have to put up with that .

I would also urge the Licensing Team to consider the fact that 'Street drinking is your 4th most problematic anti-social behaviour in Portsmouth. Section 35 dispersal orders were also used in Portsmouth during 2017. The Safer Portsmouth Partnership Plan clearly states that one of its priorities is 'Drunk and rowdy behaviour' in a public place along with seeing a reduction in alcohol related crime and reduce the percentage of under 18's getting drunk. Granting either of the points of this license would not only go against this but would increase it significantly.

In view of the above, I would therefore respectfully urge the Licensing Authority to refuse the application.

Yours faithfully,