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Sent: 28 May 2021 16:42
To: Licensing Shared Email
Subject: By the Beach license application - objection

To the Licensing Manager,

I'm writing in reference to the alcohol license application for By the Beach (previously Carl Christian Cakes), and to register my objection.

I moved into this area two years ago from a much livelier part of town – specifically because this is a quiet, residential area. I'm really upset at the prospect of having a late-night venue a couple of doors away, with all the possible noise and disruption that people drinking alcohol until late in the evening brings. A licensed venue, attached to houses, feels incredibly out of keeping with the area, and is not a beneficial addition to the neighbourhood. The proposed café backs onto a square of gardens, many of which belong to families, so having a licensed venue in the middle of that is entirely inappropriate.

Specifically, I'm concerned about:

- Noise from customers consuming alcohol in the back garden, front courtyard, and balcony areas. Although late-night noise is obviously the real dread (particularly as I have school-age children) I would like to avoid any additional alcohol-related noise in this residential neighbourhood. One of my children has anxiety and a background noise of shouting and swearing (as is often the case in places that serve alcohol) would be detrimental to his mental wellbeing in particular.
- The possibility of live music adding to the noise and encouraging a different demographic of customer which would be more likely to create a public nuisance.
- People coming off the beach looking for takeaway alcohol, noisily congregating around the front of the café and creating a public nuisance.
- People on the beach having increased access to alcohol and potentially making poor decisions around water safety.
- The public nuisance of drunk people leaving the café at any time, but particularly late at night.

I look forward to hearing more about this in due course.

Best wishes,

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