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From: Lewis Mason

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To: Licensing Shared Email

Subject: Delaneys - Castle Road PO5 3AY

Dear Licensing Team,

I am writing to support the extension of licensing hours for Delaneys on Castle Road (PO5 3AY) on Friday and Saturdays.

As the owner of the property directly opposite Delaneys, I am perfectly situated to discuss noise, anti-social behaviour or any issues resulting from their opening hours. I supported Delaneys previous licensing request due to the owners diligent and considerate approach to our community. Since my support was given, Delaneys have shown the upmost consideration to their neighbours. Delaneys have also become a community hub for many residents and businesses of Castle Road. This is due to their outstanding community integration.

It is often cited that increased licensing hours bring noise issues. This has not been the case with Delaneys since their previous licensing application approval and I can only commend the owners on their efforts to maintain their reputation as a considerate community oriented business. In fact, the noise has been so low that I often wonder if they are open due to me being unable to hear anything from them. With my door/window approximately 10-15 foot away from their seated area and about 20 foot from their doorway, it is evident I am a position to observe noise levels appropriately. Even with my window open, I cannot hear any noise from inside the business. Due to my locality to Delaneys, I can assure you that I would not be putting my support behind an extension to hours if I was not happy with their actions since the previous licensing application. This is quite the opposite and I am very happy to show support to Delaneys licencing extension application and I hope to see this family owned independent business flourish after the what has been a nightmare two years for the hospitality industry.

It is also cited that increased licensing hours can increase anti-social issues from patrons. Like my stance on any noise issues, I can only discuss how Delaney's have managed their patrons since their previous licensing application. In regard to any anti-social behaviour, I am yet to witness anything deemed anti-social from their patrons and from what I have seen, their patrons respect the residential properties and leave quietly. Like I said previously, I do not hear them.

To clarify, I am in full support of Delaneys recent application to extend their licensed hours. They are very respectful with noise intrusion and anti-social behaviour from their building/patrons non-existent. Please forward my support to the necessary licensing hearing.

Kind regards,

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