

APPENDIX 2

From: Linda Coutts
Sent: 12 July 2023 17:25
To: Licensing <Licensing@gloucester.gov.uk>
Subject: PENDING APPROVAL OF ALCOHOL LICENCE Finlay Rd

It has recently come to my attention while waiting at the bus stop in Finlay Road that an application has been made for a licence to sell alcohol for a new premises at 102 Finlay Rd.

I'm afraid I object strongly to this on the grounds that:-

1. There are already 2 shops open long hours that already sell alcohol that are within a 5 minute walk of this premises.....one is the Coop and the other Hill Stores on Reservoir Rd.
Any competition that could cause the closure of either of these stores would be a real blow to the surrounding community.
2. There is already a big problem with litter around this area. Every day we are picking up litter and this will only make the problem worse. Broken glass is almost always from alcohol bottles and the council do not bother cleaning pavements anymore.
I have been down Selwyn Rd several times picking up pieces of broken glass even going there once to clear up with a brush and dustpan.
3. We already have issues during warm weather with people gathering and drinking alcohol on Robinswood Hill near the car park. Noisy alcohol fuelled parties disturb nearby residents and the opening of a late opening Off Licence is only going to increase the problem.
4. People waiting at the bus stop (often elderly people) may feel intimidated by youths/drunks hanging around an Off Licence.

I hope I have made some reasonable objections here. Talking to other people we have not yet met anyone who will be pleased if this shop sells alcohol even though most of them do drink themselves.

Linda and John Coutts

From: pete higgins

Sent: 10 July 2023 11:55

To: Licensing <Licensing@gloucester.gov.uk>

Subject: Application for alcohol licence at 102 Finlay Road, Gloucester

We wish to object to the application by Mr Nanthini Thevanesan to sell alcohol from 6am to midnight at Premier at 102 Finlay Road Gloucester GL4 6TP.

Our objection is based on our concern that it may increase the possibility of public nuisance for many residents nearby including our home.

We had occasion to call the police last summer after the same drunken man was sat on the step outside these Premises for a couple of hours most evenings either drinking wine or cans of lager and shouting and screaming also urinating against the side of the building.

The Chinese takeaway at number 106 closes at 11 pm, the chip shop at number 108 closes at 10 pm, and the Cooperative store at 110 also closes at 10.pm.Surely these new premises should also close at a reasonable time.

There are three premises in the area that sell alcohol namely the Hill shop Reservoir Road, Tesco Express Easter Avenue and the Cooperative store already mentioned, this should be sufficient for this area.

We would be grateful if you would consider our objection favourably.

Mr & Mrs P Higgins