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our ref. csw/plan

date: 29 March 2010

Dear Sir

Re: Notice of Application For A Premises Licence
Applicant – Out Lady of Lourds Sawston Pastoral Council
For Sawston Catholic Church Hall, 135 High Street, Sawston, CB22 3HJ

I am writing to object strongly to the above application for a premises licence on the grounds that it is wholly inappropriate for the premises concerned.

The church hall is surrounded on all sides by residential properties and a licence for the provision of entertainment and the sale of alcohol would be detrimental to the area. This would create unacceptable noise and nuisance for nearby residents and there would no doubt be trouble connected with alcohol consumption.

The access to the premises is in an already hazardous area. The car park exit is right next to a traffic calming feature and almost directly opposite to my drive. This combination is not ideal and allowing the activities stated would pose further risks of a traffic accident.

Such activity should be confined to remote or commercial areas and not in the midst of residential properties and I trust this application will be refused.

Yours faithfully

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17 April 2010

Dear Sir/Madam.



Catholic Church, 135 High Street, Sawston Application for entertainment and alcohol licence objection

It has come to our attention that the Catholic Church in Sawston has applied for an entertainment and alcohol licence.

Due to the church being situated in a residential area, close to our home we object to this application.

Our reasons for objection are as follows:

- Increased noise levels
- Potential increased litter; with the possibility of this being thrown into our parking area
- Our road could be used for additional parking. Please note that the road is already congested with parking
- Other alcohol related nuisances (violence, vandalism etc.).

Please take our opinions on board when making your decision.

Thanking you in this matter.

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18th April 2010

Dear Sir

As owners of the property at the above address we wish to object most strongly to the application by Sawston Catholic Church for an Entertainment and Alcohol Licence.

We live adjacent to the church, separated only by a stone wall. We already hear church services on a Sunday when we are in the house. While we do not object to these at all, we would strongly object to hearing evening entertainment. In addition, the noise of people leaving an event where alcohol has been served will be intolerable at such close proximity to our house. You are very welcome to visit our house and see this for yourself.

What has astonished us the most is the fact that the church council did not even have the decency or courage to consult us about the application. This suggests that they had already anticipated our response and that of the other local residents.

Yours faithfully

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Dear Sirs

Entertainment & Alcohol Licence for the Catholic Church, Sawston

We have been advised that the Catholic Church at 135 High Street, Sawston, has applied for an entertainment and alcohol licence, and we wish to oppose such application.

The Catholic Church backs onto our road, and we believe that entertainment and the sale of alcohol will greatly increase the noise and nuisance levels. During summer nights especially, it is likely that this will spill out into the church car park, causing more noise and disruption to Prince William Way residents.

Also, our narrow road, which can already become crowded with parked cars, may be used as an area for additional parking making it difficult for residents to park outside their properties.

We do hope you will take this opposition into consideration.

Yours faithfully



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Dear Sir/Madam

Our Lady of Loures Sawston Catholic Church 135 High Street Sawston

Provision of Regulated Entertainment and sale of Alcohol

We are writing in response to the Notice relating to the above to inform you of our objections to this.

We live in a quiet residential cul-de-sac and if the above is allowed to go ahead we feel that our road will be used as additional car parking for any events that will be held at the Church. We already have problems with parking from residents from other streets as well as on some Sundays when this road is used as extra parking for Church services, and therefore it is sometimes impossible for residents to park outside or near their own properties.

What sort of entertainment will be allowed? With the sale of alcohol on the Church premises, this could lead to unruly behaviour on our street/s and



possible damage to any property nearby namely in Prince William Way. There are enough pubs in the village that sell alcohol. We do not need any more establishments selling alcohol creating disruption both in this area and around the Village.

Bearing in mind the Church is surrounded by houses on three sides and the High Street on the fourth, we feel that the noise level could easily affect the quiet enjoyment of the neighbouring properties. Another problem that we can see is the entrance and exit to the Church, as this is very near a traffic bollard which could cause problems around this area for traffic leaving the Church property and other traffic that is already on the High Street.

We feel very strongly that if the above Licence was awarded it would greatly affect us and our neighbourhood and would be grateful if you could take this objection in to account.

Yours faithfully

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Subject: Objection to Alcohol Licencing Application, Our Lady of Lourdes Church , Sawston

Dear Sir/Madam

We wish to object in the strongest possible terms to the alcohol licencing application at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Sawston on the following grounds

- prevention of public nuisance
- public safety
- prevention of crime and disorder
- protection of children from harm

1. Prevention of public nuisance

As a direct neighbour, our property will be constantly and immediately impacted by the close proximity of the use of the church hall as an entertainment centre selling alcohol. The current use as a church hall means the site is generally quiet and respectful to the neighbours. Introduction of a licenced premises would create noise from the additional visitors / "entertainment", lighting during darkness and traffic disruption in the centre of a residential area. There is no means on the site of controlling, storing, disposing of the waste and increased litter that would be generated, without creating an impact on immediate neighbours. There are already 10 outlets in Sawston for the sale of alcohol: a further outlet has not been requested by the local residents and is not required as part of a respectful site of worship. There is no current requirement for additional external lighting with the current site usage. In order to reduce crime and increase safety, there would be a need for additional lighting which would directly impact on our bedrooms and living areas. This is unacceptable in such close proximity.

2 Public safety

Due to the crowded nature of the site, there is no means by which pedestrians and cyclists may safely pass during busy periods. The vehicle exit routes are either side of a traffic calming measure which is already very busy and would be further compromised by an additional increase in site activity. Traffic and public safety is already compromised during busy periods due to the location of the church entrance routes, by visitors parking habits using Prince William Way as an overflow car park, parking on the pavement and the owners of cars frequently using our private driveways as turning points

3 Crime and disorder

Sawston already has a history of crime and nuisance issues with drunken behaviour from licenced premises. As local residents, we can see no need to perpetuate this with a further alcohol licence in the area

There is no need to attract further potential crime from theft or disorder to the centre of a residential community.

4. Safety of children

As highlighted in point 1., the site is very crowded and busy with traffic - there are no marked parking bays, no designated walkways, no additional lighting and no directional signage, all of which contribute to an unsafe area for children



We have yet to see compliance with the requirement for the applicant "to place an advert in a local paper circulating within the vicinity of the premises within 10 working days after the date of submission of the application being given to the Council."

In more general terms, this is the latest in a series of inappropriate applications to change the usage of the church site that has not been discussed with the local residents and has no concern for the impact on its neighbours.

It is baffling why a designated place of worship requires an alcohol licence for any other means than to make money, the expense of which is its neighbours wellbeing

We wholeheartedly object to this application.

