I am one of two EHDC councillors who represent Bishop's Stortford Silverleys ward, where Tesco Stores is located. I am also a member of East Herts Licencing Committee. I have three issues in respect of this application.

- 1) Does the application cover both the supermarket and the petrol station?
- 2) Will extended sales have a negative effect on public safety?
- 3) How will a public nuisance be prevented?

The location of the store, and the petrol station is situated within Bishop's Park which is a predominately residential area on the edge of town. It is well connected by road, including the busy A120.

The development of Bishop's Stortford North can only increase pedestrian traffic which uses the cut through from Tesco's site across Hadham Road; the in situ pedestrian controlled crossing does not have the best visibility splay, and is positioned west of a roundabout connecting Newlands Avenue at a point where traffic tends to accelerate. This may present a public safety issue.

How will noise be mitigated so as to prevent disturbance to adjacent residents? Taking a walk from Tesco through the cut through and east towards Bishop's Stortford Town Centre often reveals discarded drinks containers and broken glass. The impact of casual drinkers could extend a nuisance over a wide area.

Points 2 and 3 arguably impact on the licencing objectives, and I therefore request a sub-committee determination.

Best wishes,

EHDC, and BSTC Councillor, Bishop's Stortford Silverleys ward.

I support Cllr comments and also request that this matter be determined by a Licensing Sub-Committee.

## Councillor

Bishop's Stortford Silverleys

# Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Licensing Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 13/02/2021 12:55 PM from.

### **Application Summary**

Address:	Bishops Park Centre Lancaster Way Bishops Stortford Hertfordshire CM23 4DD
Proposal:	Variation - Premises Licence
Case Officer:	

#### Click for further information

#### **Customer Details**

Name:

Email:	Not specified
Address:	Burghley Avenue

#### **Comments Details**

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Licensing Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	13/02/2021 12:55 PM I strongly object to Tesco's Bishop's Park extending their licensing hours. We have been down this road before, as it encouraged anti-social behaviour through the estate with groups of youths walking to Tesco all hours of the night. This resulted in plant pots being broken, wing mirrors being ripped off of cars, eggs being thrown at properties and general noise. The local Police have records of this as they

are applying for licensing until 18.00 pm.

were involved in trying to stamp it out. This would mean Tesco would be open 24 hours again, which is totally unnecessary. They have to close at 16.00 pm on Sundays, but they

Dear Sir/Madam.

We are emailing you in relation to application reference 21/0069/PLV where Tesco Stores Limited at Bishops Park Centre Lancaster Way Bishops Stortford Hertfordshire CM23 4DD have applied for a variation to their premises licence.

We are emailing you directly and specifically requesting you withhold our personal details and do not disclose them.

Our objection (not more than 5000 characters):

In England in 2018, there were 5,698 alcohol-specific deaths. In 2018/19 there were 358,000 estimated admissions where the main reason for admission to hospital was attributable to alcohol, which is 6% higher than 2017/18. About 14% of all deaths in reported road accidents are related to alcohol (Source NHS Statistics on Alcohol, England 2020). The cost of alcohol to society is £21 billion, £11 billion alcohol-related crime, £7 billion last productivity though unemployment and sickness and £3.5 billion cost to the NHS (Source Public Health England, 2016). Given the scale of the problem, as identified and published by Government agencies, it is irresponsible of Tesco to be applying to extending their alcohol licence and under the basis of public safety and protecting children from harm and we object to this extension.

Given the number of elderly and vulnerable people who are isolating/shielding due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic it is sneaky of Tesco to be applying to extending their alcohol license when a significant proportion of their customers are not accessing the store in person, to see the posters advising of their application.

Tesco has no regard for their neighbours who are continually picking up litter dropped by their customers, including empty bottles and cans of alcohol. Despite the double yellow lines on Burghley Avenue their customers continue to park illegally and inconsiderately and despite this being raised with both the council and Tesco, nothing is

done. We therefore further object under the grounds of public nuisance.

The crime map available at <a href="www.police.uk">www.police.uk</a> shows worrying crime statics when entering the post code of Tesco, Lancaster Way. It shows Tesco is the main source of crime on the Bishop's Park development and increasing the time that alcohol is available is only likely to further increase crime. We therefore further object under the grounds of crime and disorder.

We therefore can not see any benefit for the hours that Tesco sells alcohol to be in increased. We implore East Herts Council to follow Public Health Englands' recommendation that the effects of harmful drinking on individuals, their families and communities are wide-ranging and require a response at a national and local level, by declining this extention. <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/health-matters-harmful-drinking-and-alcohol-dependence/health-matters-harmful-drinking-and-alco

Many thanks in advance for your time and we look forward to receiving confirmation of receipt.

### Good afternoon,

Following my email below I am received email communication asking me to vote for your neighbourhood policing priorities. This inclded an options for "Purse dipping in the Town Centre, Thorley and Tesco Bishop's Park" and "Phone Theft in the Town Centre, Thorley and Tesco Bishop's Park" (screen shot attached).

Given this vote includes two area relating to Tesco Bishop's Park we believe this should be added to the growing list of reasons as to why Tesco Bishop's Park should not be allowed to extend its alcohol licence.

Thank you again for your time in reading this email and we reiterate my request that you withhold our personal details and do not disclose them



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