

## OBJECTION TO APPLICATION

Dear Sirs

**Applicant Name:** Adnams PLC  
**Name of Premises:** Adnams  
**Postal Address:** 10 High Street  
Bishops Stortford  
Herts CM23 2LT

**RE: Premises Licence New Application**



**B/S 22/1189/PL**

I write to object to this application on several grounds. The application made by Adnams PLC on your notice and then by Solebay Brewery on the application.

There are a multitude of reasons that this application should be declined and I shall highlight them below:

As per your guidance:

“Representations may only be made on the grounds that the application would undermine one or more of the Licensing Objectives:

- crime and disorder
- public safety
- public nuisance
- protecting children from harm”

### **The application**

Is un welcome in a town where Alcohol is a major driver of anti-social behaviour and I object to it on the following grounds:

- crime and disorder

It is a national statistic that alcohol and crime have a direct correlation to each other. Unfortunately Bishops Stortford has one of the highest crime rates in the County. Specifically looking at the published statistics, antisocial behaviour is incredibly prevalent and is increasing. The sale of alcohol fuels this, especially when it is promoted to purchase and leave the premises to consume. In reality we know that shops that stock alcohol in this fashion promote loitering, theft, smoking and **antisocial behaviour**.

<https://crimerate.co.uk/hertfordshire/bishops-stortford>.

The police service in the County and the country as a whole is under resourced.

The Host night club and bar operate into the late hours of the evening, almost every night there is a gaggle of drunk, abusive, aggressive patrons walking up Windhill, dodging the oncoming traffic, lying on the road, having physical altercations till 4 in the morning.

Despite repeated calls for Host night club to be brought under control, nothing has happened. There were over 1000 complaints regarding the Host nightclub, without any action being taken.

The purchasing of alcohol to drink on and off the premises 2 meters from our home will draw these individuals further up Windhill, into a residential area.

We cannot be promoting this type of venue/shop/whatever it is purporting to be. Please look at the statistics on the link above.

I have no doubt that the existence of this new alcohol outlet would contribute to the already increasing crime rate in our area. We should be trying to reduce it and not increase it.

• public safety

Very much like the above, public safety and alcohol sale/consumption go hand in hand.

We have the obvious safety concerns with people drinking too much. We do however, also have specific issues with this venue.

1. Location – this venue is on the corner of two roads, which has a very narrow pavement. This is not safe as people who drink and come onto the road.
2. Deliveries. This venue will want to carry out deliveries. They should not be stopping in front of the building. It is a main road. And there is nowhere to stop on the side, unless it is done illegally. If they think that they will deliver to the rear of the building, is. We can not have lorries and pallets and kegs of beer being moved around for noise and for the physical safety of my family.
3. This above also rings true in terms of rubbish, bins and bottles. The application says they will use the bins behind the premises, with respect, they shall not use large bins right in front of my door where I have 4 young daughters living. The premises will not have unlimited access for refuse collection from the back. The bins are cleared once every two weeks and there is no space for a second bin.

• public nuisance

1. Noise from the venue – physical noise of deliveries. Musical noise. I do not see any reason why there should be music in a “shop” in a listed building.
2. Smoking
3. Deliveries
4. Blocking access to other services

• protecting children from harm

This as you are aware is an extremely important policy. We are not only talking about protecting children from harm of the alcohol and the sale of it and consumption. We are talking about the wider issues here.

Children of this age living right above this place have the right to live in safety and in peace. To not fear for their safety or their health. To be able to sleep when they need to and not be disturbed.

If this place is to be allowed to open our children shall suffer the following:

1. Noise pollution with an increased footfall of people to the area.
2. Smoke inhalation from people smoking downstairs outside the venue or near it.
3. Direct safety fears of delivery trucks and vans delivering large heavy items which are usually thrown into venues and cellars.
4. Blocking their access to and from their home
5. Disruption due to the noise of deliveries.
6. Disruption due to the noise of the music at the venue – this is a listed building.
7. The time until which this place would be open shall not allow them to sleep. Then there is the clear up and closing down as well as the bins.

**Conclusion**

**It is our submission that for all of the reasons above that this license application is rejected. This should not be coming to our doorstep. The impact it will have on the area is nothing but negative. The impact it will have on our children is not acceptable. If this is set for a hearing I want to be informed.**

**My opinion is that it should be clear enough to the Council that there is great harm here and it shouldn't even get to that stage. Pleas keep me informed.**

**Signed:**

HIGH STREET  
BURNHAM UTOGET FORD, CM23

NAME:

EMAIL:

REASON FOR

OBJECTION:

SIGNATURE:

As a resident of Rainbow Lane, I am particularly concerned given the current situation, fuelled by the consumption of alcohol in the area by establishments,

that adding another shop/bar (10 High Street) will further compound the matter & cause even more distress to myself, father, mother & children in the vicinity. I have witnessed unpleasant incidents, which have required police attendance/engagement. I would appreciate an initial conversation followed by a formal meeting, whereby I can be much more specific on the reasons for my objection.

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I am a resident who is most concerned about the opening of the off licence. I object on the grounds of 'public nuisance' - 'crime and disorder'.

14/09/22

It is inevitable that noise and disturbance would issue beyond the shop into surrounding roads and the mews.

High Street  
Bishop's Hatfield

As a long standing resident of Bishop's Hatfield High Street, I strongly object to the opening of an off licence at 10 High Street of the grounds of public safety, keeping children free from

14.09.22

Public safety

Crime and disorder -

Increased sale of alcohol with easier access to it will in my opinion cause more anti social behaviour and crime due to its central location.

Protecting children from harm. Our daughters are already affected by the increase in violence & anti-social behaviour caused by the over-selling of alcohol at home. This will be exacerbated

by the further sale of alcohol at this establishment. Further more the delivring of pallets to the front & rear of the shop will affect my daughter (9mth old) ability to sleep & play (9 year old, 5y/10, 7y/10) safely & in peace.

Public Safety, crime & disorder.

-> Increase of alcohol sales

-> Late night noise & drunk behaviours not suitable for children

- Protecting children from harm

-> Having a 2yo, it's not pleasant to have a bar next to our home. It will also increase the

Late noise and movement outside our home

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Crime + disorder  
Public Safety  
Public nuisance  
Protecting children from harm

Same As Above!!

Public safety - the  
foot path is too narrow to  
safely manage deliveries  
& pedestrian traffic

There are so many more  
appropriate properties  
in town - this will be a  
public nuisance.

crime & disorder

- Public safety
- protecting children from harm
- Public nuisance.

Public nuisance - Its already  
increased trouble from other near by  
premises and I feel it would feel  
this to be progressively worse for  
the town + residents safety.

OBJECTION:

Lorries parking along narrow + busy streets + pavements. Danger for pedestrians. Increase of anti-social behaviour in residential area

# WITHDRAWN

Increase of public nuisance and anti-social behaviour.

Ⓜ There are narrow streets and extra deliveries and it makes for a very dangerous walk with the children to school. Also concerns of anti-social behaviour.

Increase sale of alcohol  
increase anti social behavior

increase anti social behavior, increased traffic on already affected area, children safety, public safety

public safety  
noise considerations  
Public nuisance.

Noise + Anti social  
behaviour.  
already have noise + behaviour from flat

noise consideration,  
anti social behaviour

**WITHDRAWN**

Noise, anti social behaviour, trouble  
taking up the road with deliveries



OBJECTION:

Safety issues with the narrow pavements.  
We don't need more lorries parking on the double yellow lines.

Public nuisance of noise and anti-social behaviour so close to residential property. Increased deliveries of lorries can be dangerous for children.

Public safety, it disrupts residence's daily life and crime associated with anti-social behaviour

Public safety a very narrow road already for deliveries. Public nuisance with drunk members of the public.

Public safety. Noise. Parking on double yellows. Blocking pedestrian areas.

Public safety. Narrow pavements. Noise issues + deliveries.

OBVIOUS

Public nuisance  
Crime + disorder

Public safety  
(delivery trucks will stop children  
being able to walk safely on the  
pavement)

Public safety. Noise considerations.

Public safety. Noise!

Public safety.

Public safety

OBJECTION:

Public safety      Protecting Children  
Public Nuisance      from harm  
Crime + disorder

**WITHDRAWN**

- Crime + Disorder
- Public Safety.
- Protecting children

- Noise
- not suitable for welfare of children -
- crime in area

- public Safety

- Excess of buildings of this use already in the town
- Excess disturbance, noise etc.

NAME:

EMAIL:

OBJECTION:

SIGNATURE:

THE TOWN CENTRES DOSS NOT NEED ANOTHER  
DRINKING ESTABLISHMENT:

CRIME & DISORDER, PUBLIC NUISANCE

crime and disorder  
public nuisance

increased  
increased noise  
crime increase  
protect children

noise

Noise & no requirement for  
another pub.

Noise.

Not required  
Pub

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I object on the grounds of the public nuisance this will cause. We already have many pubs in B/S and don't see the need for more.

Signed

14 September 2022

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I object on the grounds of crime and disorder and the likelihood that this outlet would increase the crime rate in the locality.

Signed:

14<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Name	E-mail	Objection	Signature
		Public Safety	
		Protecting children from harm	
		Public safety	

From:  
Sent: 20 September 2022 21:41  
To: Housing & Health Services - Community Protection  
Subject: [External] Re Adnams BS 22/1189/PL

Please accept this as yesterday was a bank holiday.

Applicant Name: Adnams PLC  
Name of Premises: Adnams  
10 High Street  
Bishops Stortford  
Herts, CM23 2LT

Re: Premises Licence New Application/ B/S 22/1189/PL

I write to object to the application on the grounds of protecting children from upset and disruption.

As one of the senior teachers at a local Primary School, I am gravely concerned by the application outlined above. I am a teacher for the older children who live above the proposed premises. The children have needed support from school staff due to the alcohol and drug fuelled incidents on the High Street / Windhill. The children are experiencing increased anxiety including nightmares. It is in my professional opinion, incredibly detrimental to the health and well being of the children for a further alcohol establishment to be opened beneath their house, which will only further fuel the vicious cycle of anti-social behaviour in Bishops Stortford. They are a young family, with enough already on the doorstep of their home without introducing another place to create hotspots for issues and increased noise.

It is highly irresponsible to even consider this application, which I object to it in the strongest manner.

As a mother of teenage girls, I won't allow my children to walk in Bishops Stortford at night given the increasing anti-social behaviour and violence fuelled by alcohol and drugs.

Regards



From:

Sent: 21 September 2022 18:31

To: Housing & Health Services - Community Protection

Subject: [External] Premises License - Objection

Applicant: Adnams PLC

Name of premises: Adnams

Postal Address: 10 High Street, Bishops Stortford, Hertz, CM23 2LT

Dear Sir/Madame

I live in the Jacobean property (10 High Street) directly adjacent to the premises for which the licensing application is being made. As such I will be directly affected by any noise from the shop below.

I understand the intended use is as an Adnams shop (similar to the one in Saffron Walden) selling beers & wines, gifts and kitchenware. Assuming that is correct, I think it will be a good fit with the building/surroundings.

My request is that the license (1) limits the sale of alcohol to 'normal shop hours', to completely remove by biggest concern, which is the premises being used as a bar. I would also like you to consider (2) removing the ability for music to be played. This will almost certainly be audible in my property, and I do not see why it is necessary in a retail shop, i.e. removing music will take nothing away from the shop, but will be a huge benefit to me. All the local residents already suffer from the late night music played almost nightly at Host. I clearly do not want any opportunity (however small) for this to become a feature at 10 High Street.

Many thanks and best regards

High Street

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5 September 2022

OBJECTIONS TO LICENSING APPLICATION  
22/1189/PL-SOLE BAY BREWERY  
10 High Street Bishop's Stortford CM23 2LT (ADNAMS PLC)

We write as the owner/occupiers of [redacted] Basbow Lane CM23 2TW being three apartments,

The proposed licence for alcohol and music to be provided in the listed building at 10 High Street is objected on the following grounds:

1. 10 High Street is within a highly residential area, situated on a very narrow, busy road. It is also only a few yards from the George Hotel and Host restaurant, the latter already selling alcohol and providing loud music which we can hear from our flats. There have been many occasions of drunken behaviour, spilling into Basbow Lane and into the carriageway of High Street. We consider we already have a public nuisance from the current drinks' cans and glasses which also make their way into Basbow Lane. We would also point out that people have used the walkway between Tees House and the High Street residential and commercial properties in order to relieve themselves.
2. Residents of [redacted] are already subjected to drunken behaviour, the ground floor apartment having the doorbell rung late at night and early morning. Cars parked outside [redacted] and the side of 10 High Street in Basbow Lane have been 'keyed' we understand. As there is not always lighting in Basbow Lane, our cameras do not pick up clearly any disturbances.
3. We would suggest that more alcohol sales to any clientele of the proposed change of use at 10 High Street would encourage even further nuisance and possibly criminal behaviour.
4. There are several very young children in properties behind and next to 10 High Street, which, currently, has a rear entrance and courtyard, being no doubt the proposed area for recycling of bottles and cans. This area shares bin storage with 2 residential properties at 8A and 10A High Street. The restaurants in North Street use their recycling bins at around 11pm and 7am, only yards from the Basbow Lane flats.

**OBJECTION TO LICENSING APPLICATION 22/1189/PL – SOLE BAY BREWERY**

In conclusion, the residents of \_\_\_\_\_ wish to register their very strong objection to the proposed change of use at 10 High Street.

Signed by:

Dated 5 September 2022