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From: Graham Cox
Sent: 08 April 2013 10:27
To: EHL Safety
Subject: FW: Reference application to extend licensing hours at the Co-Op, Portland Road (2013/01415/LAPREV Co-op)

Sir

My original representation (below) was deemed invalid.

My objection concerns the potential disturbance to residents. It is relevant that this store is only 50 yards from a shelter for homeless people, many of whom have problems with alcohol.

We have worked closely with the Shelter (Off the Fence) to ensure that street drinking does not occur in the area, and this extension of hours risks an increase in street drinking (in particular early in the morning and late at night).

Most potential customers during these hours are those with a drink problem, or revellers returning after a night in town.

There is therefore potential for disturbance to customers if this application is granted.

I also still cannot understand why a company with an ethical USP such as they Co-Op see the need for this – but appreciate that view may not represent a valid objection!

Thank you

Graham

From: Graham Cox
Sent: 23 March 2013 07:33
To: EHL Safety
Subject: Reference application to extend licensing hours at the Co-Op, Portland Road (2013/01415/LAPREV Co-op)

Dear Sir

I have been notified that the Co-Op Store in Portland Road have applied to extend the hours for which they can sell alcohol. They wish to extend their alcohol licensing as follows-

- On Mondays to Saturdays to increase the hours when alcohol sales may take place from 08.00-23.00 to 06.00-23.00
- On Sundays to increase the hours when alcohol sales may take place from 10.00-22.30 to 06.00-23.00

I have some concerns over this application and am unsure it is necessary. Why do the Co-Op (who make much of their ethical business practices) feel it is necessary in this residential area to be allowed to extend licensing hours so that they can sell alcohol at 6am 7 days a week?

This store is not a supermarket – it is a large corner shop. It is 50 yards from the base of homeless charity, many of whose clients are street drinkers.

Whilst I appreciate the law and rules may make it difficult to stop the approval of this application, I really do question what benefits it will bring.

Thank you

Graham Cox

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