



30th August 2016

Ms Susanne Wicks
Democratic Services
London Borough of Merton
Merton Civic Centre, Morden
Surrey SM4 5DX

Dear Ms Wicks

Licensing Hearing: Co-op, 85 Ridgway, SW19 4ST. Hearing on Sept 1st at 10.30 am.

Please find attached a further document for the sub-committee to consider. This document is a continuation of the petition already submitted by Mrs Kugananthajothy, and includes 37 more signatures from local residents against the above application by the Co-op. With the 93 signatures on the petition presented by Mrs Kugananthajothy, this brings the total number of voices trying to be heard against the application to 130.

Merton Council's Licensing Policy says that an *"..... intention of the policy is to ensure that local residents are not unreasonably disturbed, whether in the street or at home, by activities within licensed premises or by customers arriving at, or leaving, licensed premises"*, and that an effective policy can control *"..... the negative impacts which affect residents, such as an increase in noise, nuisance, anti-social behaviour and crime and disorder."* Given the location of 85 Ridgway in a quiet residential area, the lack of parking, and the extended hours of licence that the Co-op has applied for, I am puzzled as to how the Co-op feels their application fits with Council policy.

Yours sincerely



B. H. K. Jones

This is a petition against the application by the Co-op for a licence to sell alcohol at 85 Ridgway between 07.00 and 23.00 Monday to Saturday and to 22.30 on Sunday. NB the Co-op does not yet have a shop at this location and is testing the ground. Local residents object to the application in the strongest terms, on the grounds that the granting of such an application will:

- create a public nuisance through noise and disturbance to residents, as a result of deliveries at all hours and bringing high numbers of cars and people to a residential area completely unsuited to it. There is already a small local shop a few paces away that serves local demand while being on a sufficiently small scale that it doesn't cause problems. A larger Co-op store will cause noise and disturbance at very unsociable hours given the extended hours of opening proposed.
- increase crime and disorder in the midst of a residential area by attracting non-residents in search of alcohol at all times of day and night. There is also no need for another shop selling alcohol – apart from the local corner store, Jenkins, Tesco Express on Wimbledon Hill opens 08.00 to 21.00 on weekdays and 08.00 to 17.00 on Sundays so is within easy reach of local residents but in a more suitable location and with more acceptable opening hours.
- negatively affect the many local children, due to the increase in traffic, inevitable increase in noise and footfall in the local area and the potentially rowdy behaviour caused by selling alcohol so late at night.

Local residents were not notified of the application by the Co-op and so did not have the opportunity to object within the official timescale. A notice about the licensing application was attached to the window of 85 Ridgway but at some distance from the pavement and was not readable without trespassing on private property.

We the undersigned OBJECT in the strongest terms to the Co-op's application and urge the licensing sub-committee to REJECT the application.

	PRINT NAME	SIGNATURE	ADDRESS
1	ELIA C. PIERRING	[REDACTED]	■ Hillside
2	ANNABEL MOORE	[REDACTED]	■ THORNTON ROAD
3	RUYERT WALSH	[REDACTED]	■ THORNTON RD
4	PETER LUDVIGSEN	[REDACTED]	■ THORNTON RD.
5	CAROLINE DOLLIMORE	[REDACTED]	■ THORNTON RD
6	NORMAN PLASTON	[REDACTED]	■ Hillside
7	RF FLINT	[REDACTED]	■ Hillside
8	BEN TVCKER	[REDACTED]	■ Sunny side
9	MEEKA BURKE	[REDACTED]	■ Hillside.

	PRINT NAME	SIGNATURE	ADDRESS
10	JAN ANDERSON		Hillside Wimbledon SW19 4NH
11	SUE WARD		HILLSIDE SW19
12	JULIA HARDY		Ridgway SW19 4SU
13	MARIAN PAPPS		Launistr-Rd.
14	VALERIE EDWARDS		LAURESTON RD
15	WAPAK KHAN		RIDGWAY LONDON SW19 4SS
16	JAY AMIN		Ridgway, Wimb, SW19
17	KIRSTEEN MOORE		Ridgway SW19 4PR
18	KATHERINE MILLER		RIDGWAY SW19 4AR
19	BARRY HOWITT		DEENMARK RD.
20	LESLEY CAROL JONES		Denmark R SW19 4PP
21	CLEANOR RODERICK		DENMARK ROAD SW19 4PR
22	MARTIN MILTON		DENMARK RD
23	Estrid Michael		Denmark Road
24	JUDITH DUNBAR		DENMARK ROAD
25	STEPHEN B. STREATER		ST JOHN'S ROAD LONDON SW19 4PA
26	VICKY STREATER		SW19 4PA ST. JOHN'S ROAD
27	ASHLEY MATHON		St John's Rd SW19 4PR
28	R CAMPBELL		DENMARK RD
29	MARTIN BOWDEN		DENMARK RD

Petition against the Co-op alcohol licence applicat^{on}

	PRINT NAME	SIGNATURE	ADDRESS
30	SHIRLEY POND		LAURA STON RD SW19 4TQ
31	Natalia Stasiuk		Ridgway, SW19 4ST
32	SHIRLEY WALKER		Denmark Rd SW19 4PQ
33	ALISON THOMPSON		DENMARK RD SW19 4PQ
34	CAROLE ROSE		DENMARK SW19 4PQ
35	SARAH LEE		DENMARK SW19 4PG.
36	PAUL STONEMAN		DENMARK RD SW19 4PG
37	ROBERT ASHCROFT		DENMARK RD SW19 4PG
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