

Hi All,

I note that the Planning Application for Rios bar to convert to a 100% bar with outside seating area on Lumsden Ave is proposed to be accepted with some small conditions.

The local residents I am in touch with who live close to the bar find this much, much, more than wholly unacceptable and are shocked at the proposed acceptance.

The noise from shrieking, shouting, singing, swearing, chanting guests from early afternoon to late at night is like having a next door neighbour having a really full garden party with shrieking, shouting, singing, swearing, chanting guests from early afternoon to late at night EVERY NIGHT! Its not a loud music issue.

... and the guests have fights, urinate on your drive or back lanes, have sex in the back lanes, allegedly openly trade in drugs, and then race their cars and bikes up and down outside your house at all hours.

Not your usual pub goers!

So, we have made our objections very clear.

The complaints to SCC and police are all on file.

The complaints have been ongoing for a long time.

The Planners have now knocked back all the objections as being police matters but do we have a joined up Council?

I actually got on well with the owner manager on my first meeting but then he became extremely hostile-defensive and recently accosted me and my wife in the street with lots of irrational shouting. He really hates people bringing complaints to his attention. Says he is just trying to make a go of it for his family....

Having a extreme drinkers bar, with dubious activities, appear in a quiet residential family avenue is surely not right. Is the law so poorly defined as to allow this to continue?

A restaurant welcomed. A quite pub welcomed. The equivalent of an open range big dog pound? NOT welcomed!

Residents have moved out because of the appalling customers behaviour and almost non-existent newbie management. More are planning to move.

One family makes reports to SCC and police almost daily. I talk to them with their little ones and they have tears in their eyes.

Will you really allow this to happen this Tuesday evening?

Will commercial pressures and poor laws break up Lumsden Avenue and you can't stop it?

What will happen next Summer when they start again outside in their droves?

Several people walk around the block rather than walk past Rios.

Do we have to go to high courts to appeal or will you be able to bring some sense to this Community catastrophe?

Best regards

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