

6 Royal Crescent,
Cheltenham,
GL50 3DA

8th September 2020

F.A.O The Licensing Officer, Cheltenham Borough Council

Dear Sir/Madam,

We wish to formally object to the following New Premises Licence application:

Application 20/01041/PRMA – 2 Crescent Terrace Basement, Cheltenham

Royal Crescent and Crescent Terrace are gradually becoming more residential, with four full houses converting after successful 'change of use' planning decisions, enabling the properties to return to full dwellings, together with several flats in the street.

Of the other businesses situated in immediate area, the majority consist of 9-5pm offices, such as Solicitors, Accountants, Charities etc. This office and residential mix works really well and is appropriate, due to the fact that the area is bustling during the day, then returning to a quiet residential area by night.

With the downgrading of the Bus Station to a Coach waiting area (most buses wait at the Promenade or The High Street) plus the new build of over 60s apartments behind,(Pegasus – John Dower) there is now a sizeable amount of property and gardens which are completely for residential use.

Amongst the current owners, there are pensioners, babies and young children and we do not feel that it is appropriate to allow refreshments to be served throughout the week up to 1.30am and also alcohol up to 1.00am. Owners might claim that they are not intending to open for the full length of these hours, but we cannot assume that this will be the case if permission has been granted to do so! It won't be safe for babies and families.

Outdoors serving has been mentioned, yet I don't think there is any real outside safety exit at the back to allow this, from a Health and Safety point of view. There is only a small area at the back of the property, so we are unsure that there will be a suitable amount of space for visitors to gather, meaning that it will be quite likely that there will be an overspill in the street area in front. There would also be the possibility of public disorder due to drunkenness because of such long drinking hours.

Furthermore, due to the Grade 2 * classification of all the nearby properties, all are only permitted to have single glazing to the windows and doors, exacerbating the issue of unsuitable acoustics for noise and bass levels.

We are pleased that we were granted permission to restore these historic listed buildings back to their original residential use and we strongly feel that this needs to be appropriately supported by the council, by ensuring that the surrounding buildings have the right sort of permissions for business use.

Yours sincerely,


6 Royal Crescent

Additional comments received 16 September 2020

Yes I would like to add that to my objection too:

i.e. New Year's Eve extend finish time by 1 hour and through December extend finish time by 1 hours for occasional Christmas parties