

# Objections against application for premises licence

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Cheltenham

Email 28/11/22

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16 Grosvenor Place South

I am unable to make my comment on the planning portal so please can you confirm receipt of this email

I object to this application on the basis of preventing further public nuisance and crime and disorder in the residential area Grosvenor Place South which is directly behind the proposed premises for this application.

Grosvenor Place South a residential no through road and is accessed from the High Street via two alley ways - one leading to Grosvenor Terrace (at the rear of the properties by the Town Centre East Car Park) and the other to Grosvenor Place South itself. As residents we are regularly subject to public nuisance and anti-social behaviour as a direct result of late night revellers making their way off the high street. While the venues on the High Street provide security personnel to maintain order immediately outside their premises they have no interest in what happens once customers leave the immediate area and enter either of the alley ways leading to Grosvenor Place South / Grosvenor Terrace.

In the evenings these alleys are used as urinals, for drug taking and are constantly covered in graffiti. Often groups walk up the road singing, shouting, arguing and consequently waking those who live in Grosvenor Place South. Approving another license premises in the immediate area will only compound these issues.

In the past year the Council has spent significant financial resources attempting to reduce crime and disorder in this areas, specifically in Grosvenor Terrace and the Town Centre East Car Park.

I understand the Council's need to prioritise keeping the High Street occupied with businesses but this should not be to the detriment of local residents and other businesses. Currently Flight Club, Mr Mulligans and Hollywood Bowl are all businesses in the Brewery Quarter offering similar experiences to that proposed by Roxy Lanes but with less extensive opening hours. Would approving this give Roxy Lanes a competitive advantage? Could it result in these other businesses closing down as there is a limited market for this type of entertainment?

There does not yet seem to be an application for change of use on the Planning Portal to understand the size of the proposed business, its capacity, its access points - all of which are key factors to the impact on local residents and other businesses.

Please do not approve this application without considering the inevitable increase in public nuisance and anti-social behaviour it will bring to local residents and understanding the capacity of the venue and its entry and exit points.

Kind regards

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22 x grosvener place south

New look plans

.. Too who it may concern. .

I'm mortified that new look may become a club, gambling fun house. . As I live right behind it. . In 22 x grosvener place south, and as a lady on my own am in fear of what this may bring too an already troubled area. Also fear for more,attacks on my car. .

Thankyou

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Flat 1,

13 Grosvenor Place South,

Cheltenham,

GL52 2RX.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I was concerned to see the above licencing application.

As a resident of Grosvenor Place South, which is in very close proximity to the proposed venue, I object to this application.

Grosvenor Place South & the surrounding area is already being plagued with anti social behaviour, in the form of drunkenness, noise, vandalism & graffiti; as you may be aware, the Town Centre East / Grosvenor Terrace Multi-storey Car Park has especially been a magnet for this recently.

This venue will only have a further detrimental, negative impact due to likely increases in this type of antisocial behaviour.

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18x Grosvenor Place South

FAO Jason Kirkwood

I very strongly object to both the licensing application and to the change of use to this entertainment venue.

I live in Grosvenor Place South my property is literally a stones through away from this proposed club.

There will be no break for residents with this venue being open 7 days a week throughout the daytime until late night/early hours.

This will encourage more anti sociable behaviour, drugs and crime.

As a single female this proposal is very unnerving, I will no longer feel safe in my own home. The streets will become very intimidating. An area like this is definitely not a suitable location.

I therefore strongly object to this planning proposal.

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19, Grosvenor Place South

Cheltenham GL52 2RX

For attention of Jason Kirkwood

I'm writing to register my objection to the application made by Roxy Leisure for a New Premises Licence for the building 103-109 High St, GL50 1DP.

This premises, currently the site of a New Look clothes store, backs on to the end of our street, Grosvenor Place South, and is situated roughly 30 metres from our home. The residents of our street are extremely concerned about this new licensing application and the detrimental impact granting it will inevitably have on the quality of life in our street.

Grosvenor Place South is a residential cul-de-sac that is home to a mixture of families, older residents and young professionals. Though we are very close to the High Street, the street is very quiet, especially at night after the shops are closed. Despite this, we have had a number of reported issues in the recent past including vandalism and unruly behaviour, damage to vehicles and to the rear of our property. We have also experienced a significant number of issues connected to the multistorey car park adjacent to our street and occasionally from late night drinkers returning home from the pubs and clubs at the top end of the High Street.

We know from past experience that the licensing of a new premises - one that actively promotes itself as an **all-day (from 11am) and late night drinking and gambling establishment (2am on Friday and Saturday nights)**, including the request for a licence for entertainment that will include films and recorded music – so close to our home will impact significantly on the quality of life and the safety of residents in our street, several of whom are elderly.

This is a large commercial premises with the potential for a significant number of patrons. It is situated within 50 metres of our family home. Though the front of the property is on the High Street, the alleyway beside the property and its extensive and poorly lit rear access area will inevitably become host to drunken behaviour and nefarious late night activities. There are many other pubs and club on the High Street and Bath Road already, some of which are struggling to make a profit. I do not see that there is any justification for another at this time – especially one that will clearly bring with it a considerable number of antisocial issues.

Therefor I am objecting to this licensing application in the strongest terms. I would request that you acknowledge and consider this and other requests from concerned residents before agreeing to grant this or any other licence for this premises.

Best regards

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19 Grosvenor Place South, Cheltenham, GL52 2RX.

Dear Licensing Committee,

I am writing to complain about a recent application by Roxy Leisure Ltd to introduce a nightclub into the New Look building, 105-107 High Street, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire GL50 1DW. My home is on Grosvenor Place South and is within 30 metres of the back of the New Look building. I strongly object to the application based on the extra vehicular traffic, noise, drunken behaviour and fighting which will inevitably result from this licence being granted.

Our street is a quiet cul-de-sac which has a combination of families and pensioners living in it. We have had significant issues over the years with the noise and multiple disturbances in the multi story car park which is behind our house. In addition we have been worried about the change of use of the old Lidl building to a storage facility. There have, on occasions, been incidents of drunken behaviour, drug consumption and fights in our street as the alleyway to the High Street leads onto Grosvenor Place South. On one occasion, our garage door was literally kicked in costing hundreds of pounds of damage. The level of disturbance that we already put up with should prove that there are enough drinking establishments already at this end of the High Street. There is no need for this licence to be issued.

I would be grateful if you would be able to let me know if my objection has reached the correct portal.

Many thanks,

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Resident, Mother, Grandmother

18 Grosvenor Place South

GL522RX

Received 28/11/22 15.38 h

Ref Roxy Leisure.

Please add the following to my Objection.

Is there no need for Planning Permission for change of use - Retail to Licensed for Entertainment & Leisure / Music/ Gaming etc? An ADULT gaming & drinking 7 days a week night club. 12-14 hrs per day x 7 days pw x 365 days pa!! In a small close Residential area in a Conservation area where babies, children & the elderly & infirm live. Where little school children walk to & from their school every day x 4 times - with their young mothers - St John's Primary School @ the top of our street - Albion St.

Where the only means of access for us into town is through the two poorly lit alleyways either side of the New Look building - which are often used as a public urinal already & will become even worse, where Clubbers might well be sick, where groups will congregate to drink, smoke & take drugs out of sight & reach of the attendant police etc. Where crime will be on our very doorsteps. Where residents will be afraid to leave their homes. That is how I fear our street will inevitably become. This I speak to also fear the worst.

FYI. I spoke to the Newsagents opposite New Look today. They had no idea about this. It appears on my research that the Council hasn't in fact notified ANYBODY!! No residents. No shopkeepers. No one!!

I am very shocked & angry - that you can permit a company to move in right under our noses - with no fair warning or opportunity for meetings - only one pathetic A4 notice stuck on a wall!!

## WHAT'S ROXY?

ROXY LEISURE WAS FOUNDED WITH A REBELLIOUS SPIRIT, GOING AGAINST THE NORMS OF WHAT WAS AROUND US

WE ARE DEDICATED TO BRINGING A FUN EXPERIENCE THROUGH GREAT GAMING, GREAT BEER, GREAT FOOD AND GREAT MUSIC.

OUR OBJECTIVE IS TO CHAMPION THE COMPETITIVE SOCIALISING REVOLUTION TO NEW CITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

WE ARE ON TRACK FOR AT LEAST TWO NEW SITES PER YEAR

It is the

wrong area for a venue such as this.

If you are replying or responding to Objections I would very much appreciate hearing from you. In fact I hope you will respect our concerns & do so.

Received 28/1/22 13.10 h

Dear Sirs. I am not sure where to send the following.

Ref. Application for new Premises Licence. New Look.

Please direct to correct department.

- My OBJECTION

I strongly object to both the licensing application and to a night / entertainment venue!. It is a totally unacceptable mix for the proposed property in this area - made even worse by the number of days & exceedingly unsociable hours applied for.

Every single day!!

**Sun, Mon, Tues & Wed 11.00 am - 00.30**

**Thurs, Fri & Sat 11.00 am - 02.30**

1. "Clubbers" can come & go from choice but we residents / the neighbours of this establishment who live in the areas closely surrounding the property, will suffer continually from any noise with no time off - Grosvenor Place South being one of the streets - virtually an arms length away with the closest residents being almost "next door neighbours!!" Day in & day out. 7 days a week!
1. It is a Residential area in a Conservation area! Noise & rowdy behaviour is unacceptable.

1. Music & clubbers will frequent our quiet mostly peaceful streets outside our homes as they will inevitably wander & continue to party further afield - i.e outside our homes until the early hours - plus throughout each day - & will cause disturbances for residents particularly for the babies, young children & elderly who live here.

1. The size of the property is enormous! The numbers will be many. Having looked closely at all their other clubs around the country there is a very high chance that we will suffer noise & disturbance from their "entertainment, films & recorded music" being pumped out day & night - 7 days a week together with further noisy "merrymaking" after hours.

4. Last but definitely not least I am aware that Drugs & Crime here might well become a No 1 grave concern for us & could become a very serious issue with the influx that large numbers of people - including the usual intoxicated undesirables etc - who are attracted to clubs. Crime in Cheltenham is already escalating. Drugs are everywhere. Our streets here will no longer be peaceful. They will no longer feel or be safe. For many of us who live here the streets will become very intimidating.

A peaceful close knit residential area like this is very definitely not a suitable location - virtually next door to us!

Regards