

OBJECTION 1:

NAME: Ginny Crosbie

Application for a Variation of a Premises License under the Licensing Act 2003
Premises name: Tiny Tennessee, 117 High Street, Newcastle-under-Lyme ST5 1PS

Dear Sir or Madam,

I wish to object to the above application to extend hours for the provision of refreshments and entertainment for the following reasons;

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- The Tiny Tennessee is right on the corner nearest the subway leading into Well Street, Barracks Road and London Road, meaning any spill-over incidents can quickly arrive at residents’ doorsteps.
- Some of these activities are due to intoxicated individuals, adding to already highly reported incidents of drug abuse occurring in and around these streets.
- Extending licensing hours for alcohol will mean the risk of these events will now extend to midnight.
- Further, the licence is for every day of the week including Sundays, so the potential further increase in crime and disorder arising from intoxicated people would be a constant pressure on local residents. This seems highly unfair.
- One would hope the Police have been consulted on this application as the authority which has to deal with increasing levels of crime and disorder in the streets of Newcastle-under-Lyme.

Public safety;

- The Tiny Tennessee is, as it’s name describes, a small bar with little room for people inside to escape, should a fight break out. Extending licensing hours has the potential to increase these risks as individuals drink alcohol for longer.
- There is a further risk of passers-by getting caught up in any fights spilling out of the bar as they head into the subway, such is the proximity of the bar to the street corner and subway.

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- Residents have already experienced very loud karaoke from this bar on nights when there has been music and singing until 11 p.m. For working residents, this is very disruptive and some of the 1890s properties do not have double glazing to reduce the impact of the noise.
- Further, this would run every single night, including Sundays if approved, so there would be no respite at all for local residents.
- As the premises are very small, it is possible that extended drinking and entertainment hours would result in pub-goers spilling out into the street immediately in front of the bar, especially in the warmer summer months. This would significantly increase the noise levels reaching quiet residencies, as well as potentially lead to obstruction of the subway access.
- Litter from the High Street tend to be blown across the road into Well Street, Garden Street and London Road; increasing licensing hours could result in further dropping of litter, thus exacerbating the current situation.

For the above reasons therefore, I would urge the Council to refuse the application to extend licensing and entertainment hours; residents have enough to endure with things as they currently stand.

Yours sincerely

Ginny Crosbie

OBJECTION 2:

NAME: Sue Sheppard

Dear Sir or Madam,

Please find attached my letter of objection to the requested change in licensing hours and the playing of music, associated with the Tiny Tennessee bar.

Regards,

S. Sheppard

Well Street resident.

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OBJECTION 3:

NAME: Jill Iredale

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Jill Iredale

OBJECTION 4:

NAME: Louise Wilson

Re; Application for a variation of a Premises License under the Licencing Act 2003.

Premises Name – Tiny Tennessee, 117 high Street, Newcastle under Lyme ST5 1PS

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to object to the above application to extend hours for the provision of refreshment and entertainment at the above property.

Prevention of disorder and crime.

I live in the streets that are in close proximity to the town center and we regularly suffer crime and anti-social behaviour as a result of the activities of licensed businesses within the town center. This has included people drinking and using drugs in our streets while leaving or going to the town. This is evidenced by the amount cans and bottles of alcohol I am constantly litter picking from around our streets. People drug dealing in our streets.

Fights and arguments of groups outside our homes.

Extending this licence will lead to an increased risk of and escalation of these problems.

Residents have had damage to cars and people kicking over bins scattering rubbish around the streets. This happens in our streets because people park on Bankside and our streets and have easy access to and from town via the underground subway outside the doors of this property.

This can only escalate later into the evenings if these licenses are extended.

I would recommend that the Police are consulted given these problems, which are ongoing and escalating.

Public nuisance.

This was a major issue for residents last year and we would not want this to escalate. In the summer the noise nuisance from Tiny Tennessee was awful. I hadn't realised where it was coming from but now I know I would not want this to be extended.

Last year, I was unable to enjoy my garden or home in peace. I now realise that this was where the noise was coming from. I could constantly hear Karaoke and loud music during the summer evenings, and it wasn't pleasant, being made to listen to people who can't sing and were caterwauling. When my grandchildren were here, I couldn't get them to sleep on the hot nights unless I closed the windows and then I had to have air conditioning going to help them cope with heat, That was a big expense for me twice a week.

I hope this licence will not be extended so that our loss of peace is extended and this would give us no respite at all.

I would urge the council NOT to extend this licence and to address the issues we all faced last year. If we have to go through this again, I will be making reports about noise nuisance.

Thank you
Louise Wilson

OBJECTION 5 and 6:

NAME: Cllr. Sheelah Casey-Hulme

Premises: Tiny Tennessee - 117 High Street, Newcastle-under-Lyme ST5 1PS
Application: Variation of Premises Licence – Extension of hours for refreshment and entertainment - Licensing Act 2003

Dear Licensing Authority,

We write on behalf of residents of Well Street, Garden Street and surrounding areas to formally object to the above application to vary the premises licence for Tiny Tennessee, Newcastle-under-Lyme.

The objection is made on the basis that granting the proposed extension of hours would undermine the following Licensing Objectives:

1. Prevention of Crime and Disorder

The premises is located on a prominent corner position adjacent to the subway leading to the Sunken Roundabout and Well Street/Garden Street, this location acts as a natural thoroughfare for pedestrian movement late at night.

As a result, any incidents associated with the premises—particularly those involving intoxicated individuals—have the potential to disperse rapidly into nearby residential streets. This

significantly increases the likelihood of crime and disorder occurring in close proximity to residents' homes.

The surrounding area already experiences ongoing issues, including:

- Anti-social behaviour
- Criminal activity
- Damage to private vehicles
- Illegal parking within residential permit zones

An extension of hours for alcohol is likely to exacerbate these existing problems by increasing footfall and prolonging late-night activity.

2. Prevention of Public Nuisance

The proximity of the premises to residential properties raises serious concerns regarding noise disturbance and general nuisance.

Tiny Tennessee is a small bar with little room inside and should a fight break out, there will be a spill over into the street, so later operating hours for entertainment and refreshment will inevitably lead to:

- Increased noise from patrons entering and leaving the premises
- Disturbance from groups congregating outside
- Raised levels of shouting, music, and general late-night disruption

Given the layout of the area and the direct routes into residential streets, this impact will be immediate and unavoidable for local residents.

3. Public Safety

The nearby subway and road layout create a confined and high-risk environment, particularly at night. Increased patron numbers and extended hours to allow consumption of alcohol may contribute to unsafe conditions, including;

- Increased risk of altercations spilling into public spaces
- Passers by getting caught up in any altercations
- Greater pressure on local policing resources

4. Prevention of Public Nuisance

Residents inform that they already experience very loud karaoke from this bar on nights when there has been music and singing until 11pm. For working residents this is very disruptive and if running every night, residents would have no respite.

The proposed variation fails to adequately demonstrate how the Licensing Objectives will be upheld, particularly in an area already experiencing significant challenges relating to anti-social behaviour and crime.

For the reasons outlined above, we respectfully request that this application be refused.

Yours faithfully,

Cllr Sheelagh Casey-Hulme/Cllr Ruth Wright

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