



ST OSYTH PARISH COUNCIL



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Dear Ms Tann

I write on behalf of St Osyth Parish Council with regards to Licensing Application 21/00184/PREMGR, a new Premises Licence Grant in respect of the Oakmead Social Club, Oakmead Road, St Osyth, Essex, CO16 8NW.

The Parish Council has received numerous complaints regarding this application, the main concern over which is the location of the establishment in question, which is situated on a single, unadopted track, in a residential area, housing mainly elderly residents.

Another concern of the Parish Council and residents alike, is the impact of noise from those within, and indeed departing the establishment. Previous licensees have encouraged the siting of mobile catering vendors, which has resulted in excessive noise and litter

There is a strong objection to the opening times as listed:

Time Period	From	To
Monday	12.00 pm	12.00 am
Tuesday	12.00 pm	12.00 am
Wednesday	12.00 pm	12.00 am
Thursday	12.00 pm	12.00 am
Friday	12.00 pm	02.00 am
Saturday	12.00 pm	02.00 am
Sunday	12.00 pm	12.00 am

The proposed opening hours are deemed excessive and unacceptable, especially when one considers that actual bona fide public houses within the centre of St Osyth and the surrounding holiday parks close, at the very latest, by 1.00 am on a Friday and Saturday, and by 11.30 pm during the week.

There is concern that were the Oakmead Social Club be permitted to remain open until 02.00 am, it would encourage both residents and visitors to the holiday parks, who wish to continue drinking after the closure of other establishments, to frequent the Social Club, which is not a private members club and would therefore be open to anyone.

Historically, there have been a number of occasions on which the Police have been called to attend disturbances, and during a visit to the establishment earlier this year by a member of the District Council, a Police escort was required.

The activities as listed:

Activity	Time Period	From	To
Indoor Sporting Event	Monday to Thursday	7.00 pm	11.00 pm
Performance of Live Music	Wednesday	7.00 pm	11.00 pm
Performance of Live Music	Fridays & Saturdays	7.00 pm	11.00 pm
Performance of Live Music	Sundays	2.00 pm	4.00 pm
Performance of Live Music	Sundays	7.00 pm	10.00 pm
Performance of Recorded Music	Monday to Thursday	12.00 pm	11.00 pm
Performance of Recorded Music	Friday to Sunday	12.00 pm	12.00 am
Late Night Refreshment	Everyday	12.00 pm	02.00 am
Sale of Alcohol (on premises only)	Sunday to Thursday	12.00 pm	12.00 am
Sale of Alcohol (on premises only)	Fridays & Saturdays	12.00 pm	02.00 am

would not only result in excessive noise, from both inside and outside of the Oakmead Social Club but given the duration in which alcohol could be purchased would likely lead to an increase in anti-social behaviour, including noise, littering and public urination, all of which have previously been encountered by residents of the surrounding area.

In view of the foregoing, the Parish Council does not support this application. Were the District Council to approve this Premises Licence Grant, the Parish Council would request that a condition of the approval be a reduction in opening hours, with the establishment having to close by 11.00 pm on any given day.

Yours sincerely,

Neil Williams

Clerk to the Parish Council