

REF: Licensing application (Sarah Gledhill) Variation of the club premises certificate for Shaw Cricket Club, Mark Lane, ShawOL2 8QG

Dear Licencing at Oldham Council,

I am writing with regards to the above licence application and wish to oppose the application for the below grounds.



**Public Safety:**

There are issues with people leaving the cricket club already at times way past their present licence and being anti-social.

Neighbours are scared to challenge these people as they are usually drunk, loud, and obnoxious and could pose a risk for residents' safety.

This licence will encourage late night drinkers from Shaw and Moorside and will in turn increase safety concerns for myself, other residents and our properties.

My own quality of life will be even more impacted if this application is passed.

We are already suffering from the lack of management of the licence the club already hold and the noise, disruption, antisocial behaviour that is already happening hours past the 10pm licence.

The club does not communicate with residents and if concerns are raised, they are often met with negativity from the club chairman and members.

My life is already being impacted by those who drink at the club due to their anti-social behaviour, smashing of glasses, loud shouting and the music played outside the clubhouse loudly until past midnight.

This has impacted me and the residents who live in Clough,

We are feeling extremely worried for their safety and security already and if this application is passed this will increase the levels of stress and anxiety to me and the residents.

What we are having to cope with at present from the club is making us vulnerable and impacting on our quality of lives.

**Crime and Disorder:**

The Cricket club has a licence at present until 10pm but we are regularly woken up by those attending the Cricket Club at 12.20pm through to 2am.

Whilst at the club and when leaving it the noise is so loud, they are swearing loudly, smashing glasses on the lane and in people's gardens.

We have had times of groups of people leaving the club in the early hours and running around the residential area, running onto people's properties.

We have had instances of people whilst at the club and when leaving it, urinating in bushes within residents' gardens and up garden fence panels.

The elderly residents who live around Clough are feeling extremely vulnerable and frightened by the noise and anti-social behaviour and feel they are practically becoming prisoners in their own home being unable to open windows or sit in the garden due to the antisocial behaviour that is happening regularly.

If you grant this licence, we are going to have an increase in this anti-social behaviour and be disturbed in the early hours of the morning by smashing glass and shouting.

This is extremely frightening especially for our vulnerable residents.

**Public Nuisance:**

As residents our quality of life is already impacted due to the issues already with the club's licence and people not leaving the club until the early hours of the morning.

The music is blasted outside plus people swearing, chanting, screaming and arguing well past midnight which is impacting my sleep.

If you raise this with the club you receive no support.

The taxis are also sat for up to 10 minutes awaiting those who have booked them at the end of my road and often large groups are stood waiting for taxis at the end of my road.

They are often shouting, leaving glasses on the lane, on the footpaths and residents walls.

They are urinating in gardens and up walls of people's houses.

They also keep smashing glasses and bottles bought at the club against fences and walls leaving broken glass all over the lane which is dangerous to my Grandchildren and pets.

This is interrupting my sleep and the residents can no longer keep their windows open in their bedrooms due to the noise.

I believe this licence application will encourage those leaving pubs in Shaw and Moorside to use the Cricket Club as a drinking venue into the early hours which will impact residents' safety, wellbeing, and security.

Kindest Regards



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