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Dear Sir / Madam,

I am writing in support of Shaw Cricket Club's application to extend their licensing hours. I am 22 years old and have been involved with the club as a player and member since I was 9 years old. I have met countless friends through this great sports club which I am still in touch with today. In 2018 I took a break from playing cricket but a year later returned as I missed it so much. To say I am overwhelmed with the improvements to the club over the last couple of years would be an understatement, from when I joined the club to where it is now – is night and day.

The improvements to the clubhouse as enabled the club to offer functions to the local community for all occasions, which is a key strand of revenue needed to keep the club going to provide further for the local community whether this is cricket related or otherwise. Another key part of Shaw Cricket Club is the junior section, which has been going from strength to strength with the new restructure. This allows all children, whatever age, to get involved with cricket. Over the summer holidays a summer camp was set up to further develop our juniors skills or to pull the interest of new juniors into this wonderful sport. This was received so well that an additional week has been organised.

From these developments, I believe that the current license no longer serves its purpose and an extended license could further broaden the options to Shaw Cricket Club. Other local competitors with a later license will have priority over Shaw Cricket Club and are therefore losing revenue and opportunity to give back to the local community. Playing as part of the junior set-up and now in the senior teams I am worried for the juniors that they may lose out on being provided the best possible facility for both cricket and the possibility of functions, whether this being for the child or possibly their parents.

The club always wants the best for the community and takes pride in our neighbourhood, with more recently offering non-cricket related activities such as first aid training and Pilates. The additional hours of a license will further improve the club and open opportunities to gain additional revenue that can be put back into the club and local community, I believe this to be the next step required for the 'new' Shaw Cricket Club.

Kind Regards,

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