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14/6/2021

Dear Sir or Madam.

Re: Half Moon Inn, Ryton Village, NE40 3QF. Licensing Variation application.

We wish to object strongly to this whole application. Since the increased use of outdoor space at this venue, there have been whole afternoons and evenings when we have not been able to have full use and enjoyment of our own outdoor space because of crowd noise. Additional noise from outdoor music and entertainment would be intolerable.

These premises are in the Conservation area, part of Ryton Old Village. Historically the venue had parking facilities. Already, the increased parking since ease of lockdown has led to obstruction of road and pavements in an unsafe manner, near the already dangerous junction of Peth Lane, Village East and Holborn Lane. Vehicles remain overnight and well into the next morning.

Littering of the nearby pavements and green spaces has increased, especially beer bottles, discarded masks and plastic drinks containers. None of this enhances the surroundings and it goes against the character of the village. An increase in customer traffic to an outdoor bar and music venue would only worsen the situation.

It would be interesting to know if the licensee has plans to take responsibility for, and mitigate, the effect of their proposed changes. Local communication has been absent. We believe the premises have historically breached other licensing terms. If these variations are allowed, we have no confidence that whatever conditions might be imposed would be adhered to.

Thank you for this opportunity.
Yours faithfully


Sheila Eddleston & James Brian Fail.