

Licensing Act 2003 REPRESENTATION FORM FROM OTHER PERSONS

This representation is made by an 'Other Person' in respect of the premises to be licensed as detailed below (see note 1 attached):

Your name	
Organisation name/name of body	Please redact my personal details from this form when
you represent (if appropriate)	made public/shared with relevant persons in relation to this
	licensing application
Postal and email address	
Contact telephone number	

Name of the premises you are making a	Engine Lane Stores
representation about	
Address of the premises you are making	26 Engine Lane, Glascote, Tamworth B77 2DH
a representation about	

Your representation must relate to one of the four Licensing Objectives (see note 2 overleaf)

Licensing Objective	Yes/No	Please detail the evidence supporting your
		representation or the reason for your representation.
		Please use separate sheets if necessary.
The prevention of Crime and	Yes	In the past 12 months, 694 crimes in Glascote have been
Disorder		reported to the police, of which, violence and sexual
		offences, anti-social behaviour and public order make up
		the majority: https://www.police.uk/pu/your-
		area/staffordshire-
		police/glascote/?yourlocalpolicingteam=about-
		<u>us&tab=statistics</u>
		Granting an alcohol license for this proposed
		convenience store trading from 6.00 to 23.00 (up to
		midnight on bank holidays, Christmas eve and New
		Years eve), seven days a week, in a wholly residential
		area (i.e., this will be the only commercial property in
		Engine Lane and surrounding roads) will very likely add
		to the levels of crime and disorder in Glascote.
Public Safety	Yes	The proposed convenience store is situated in Engine
		Lane, a no-through road, in close proximity to Brain
		Street, Signal Walk, Pullman Close, Stephenson Close,
		Beyer Close and Carisbrooke. The residential nature of
		Engine Lane and surrounding roads, occupied by families
		/ families with children and/or elderly occupants must
		be considered carefully for this licensing application,
		which if granted will have a detrimental impact on
		residents and the community. The increase in foot traffic

		and potential for intoxicated individuals regularly visiting the convenience store and/or loitering near the premises and surrounding roads will create an environment that poses a threat to the safety of residents.
The Prevention of Public Nuisance	Yes	The presence of a convenience store selling alcohol will result in an increase of people and vehicles in this residential neighbourhood. This will very likely result in increased public nuisance incidents especially as the proposed operating hours mean early/late-night sales of alcohol will contribute to noise and disturbances that will negatively affect the quality of life for residents in Engine Lane and surrounding roads.
		When this store was previously open selling convenience items and alcohol (it closed mid-2019 due to lack of trade), I personally experienced regular noise from increased foot traffic and vehicles parking and turning around (Engine Lane is a no-through road). The previous store was also a draw to local youths hanging around the premises and surrounding roads, drinking in the street and in a few instances, dealing drugs. I am very concerned these public nuisances and criminal activity will start again if this alcohol licence application is successful.
The Protection of Children From Harm	Yes	One of the most pressing concerns is the potential harm to children living in the vicinity of the proposed convenience store and to children that attend Glascote Academy, located within a 2 minute walk from the proposed store. A convenience store selling alcohol 17 hours a day (18 hours a day on bank holidays and Christmas and New Years eve) in a residential area exposes children to the temptation and accessibility of alcohol, which could lead to underage drinking. This poses a significant risk to their health, well-being, and future prospects. It is our collective responsibility to safeguard the children of our community from such harm.

Please suggest any conditions that could be added to the licence to remedy your representation or other suggestions you would like the Committee to take into account.

I question the need for another alcohol licence being granted in Glascote. Within a 5 minute walk of the proposed convenience store, at the local shopping arcade in Glascote Heath there are three businesses with an alcohol license:

- Spar (open 07.00 to 23.00)
- Best-One Convenience Store (open 06.00 to 20.00)
- St. George public house (open 12.00 to 23.00)

Additionally, there is:

- Costcutter in Sheepcote Lane (open 08.00 to 22.00), about 10 minute walk / 3-4 mins in car, that sells convenience items, food and alcohol.
- Aldi supermarket on the Glascote Road (open 08.00 to 22.00) about 12 minute walk / 5 minute drive, that also sells convenience items, food and alcohol.

The proposed store will be the **only** commercial property in Engine Lane and surrounding roads. If this licensing application is granted I implore the licensing committee to consider that the proposed opening hours are excessive - 17 hours a day, seven days a week, and that reduced hours should apply.

Please see notes attached

NOTES

- 1. Representations can be made by any individual, body or business, regardless of their geographical proximity to the premises.
- 2. Your representation must relate to one or more of the four licensing objectives for it to be deemed relevant:-
 - The prevention of crime and disorder
 - Public Safety
 - The prevention of public nuisance
 - The protection of children from harm
- 3. If you make a representation you will be expected to attend a meeting of the Licensing Committee. **Details of your representation will be published in the report available to the Committee and the licence applicant**. You will be given notice of the hearing before it takes place and will also be given a copy of the committee report.
- 4. The hearing shall take the form of a discussion led by the Licensing Authority. The applicant for the licence will also be at the meeting and it will usually be open to the public and the media.
- 5. This form must be returned within the statutory period of 28 days from the day after the date the application was given to the Licensing Authority the deadline should be given in the notice displayed on the premises and in the public notice in a local newspaper or other local publication.
- 6. Please return this form when completed to: Publicprotection@tamworth.gov.uk