

From: Geoff Rutland <Geoff.Rutland@lewes.gov.uk>
Sent: 31 January 2023 08:51
To: licensing <licensing@lewes-eastbourne.gov.uk>
Subject: Application for Alcohol Licence at the Salts Cafe by Papachinos Ltd

Dear Sirs

I would like to register my objections to this Licence Application on the following grounds:

Public Nuisance: The Salts is a park surrounded by houses; late night noise reverberates around the park & disturbs the residents – Being allowed to play music until midnight will be a significant nuisance & disturbance to hundreds of residents.

Prevention of Crime & Disorder: There has been an ongoing problem with late night underage drinking / partying in the park for years, especially in the summer months. Having Licenced Premises in the park will only make this worse

Public Safety: This park was designed as a recreational facility for the town & is used for youth football, cricket, rugby & tennis. It also features a Skatepark and is next to a children's play area. These facilities are used by young families all the time. It is not a suitable location to have alcohol served from 9am until midnight.

I respectfully request that this licence be refused.

Whilst writing I would also like to complain that the 'Public Notice' by the applicant was placed around the back of the building, in an obscure manner, making it difficult for members of the public to see it.

Yours Sincerely

Councillor Geoff Rutland

From:

Sent: 01 February 2023 08:45

To: licensing <licensing@lewes-eastbourne.gov.uk>

Subject: Fw: Application for an Alcohol and Music Licence at the Salts Cafe by Papachinos Ltd

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Application for an Alcohol and Music Licence has been made at the Salts Cafe by Papachinos Ltd.

Dear Sir / madam

I understand an Application for an Alcohol and Music Licence has been made at the Salts Cafe by Papachinos Ltd

I would like to object to this Licence Application on the following grounds:

Public Nuisance:

The Salts is a park surrounded by houses; late night noise reverberates around the park & disturbs the residents.

Being allowed to play music until midnight will be a significant nuisance & disturbance to hundreds of residents.

Prevention of Crime & Disorder:

There has been an ongoing problem with late night underage drinking / partying in the park for years, especially in the summer months.

Having Licenced Premises in the park will only make this worse.

Public Safety:

This park was designed as a recreational facility for the town & is used for youth football, cricket, rugby & tennis.

It also features a Skatepark and is next to a children's play area.

These facilities are used by young families all the time.

It is not a suitable location to have alcohol served from 9am until midnight.

I respectfully request that this licence be refused.

Whilst writing, I would also like to complain that the 'Public Notice' by the applicant was placed around the back of the building, in an obscure manner, making it difficult for members of the public to see it.

Your sincerely,

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From:

Sent: 20 February 2023 08:35

To: licensing <licensing@lewes-eastbourne.gov.uk>

Subject: Application for alcohol license at the Salts Cafe by Papachinos

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Dear Sirs

I would like to object to the licence application on the following grounds

Public nuisance

The salts is a park and being allowed to play music and merrymaking possibly up to midnight would be a mistake. The salts and the cafe are in a hollow and because of this the noise reverberates around.

Prevention of crime and disorder

The salts has always had a problem with late night drinking and noise especially after venues in Seaford closed at night. This problem has been much better since the late night venues have closed down in Seaford, having another licensed premises especially in the park will not help the situation.

Public safety

The park is designed for families to enjoy sport and relaxation. At night the lighting around this area is very poor.

The Salts cafe is right next to a children's play area which has been well maintained by the council over the years but I know as a property owner overlooking this area it is always a magnet for drunks late at night.

Prevention of children harm

I have witnessed on many occasions your local park cleaners having to clear up bottles and broken glass from the the play area.

The Salts cafe should stay as a non licensed premises.

I respectfully request that this license application be refused.

Yours faithfully

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BN7 1AB

30/01/2023

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: License objection Papachinos Ltd Salts Café

I would like to raise a strong objection to the application of an alcohol, music and late licence application for the Papachino salts cafe in Seaford.

This is a quiet peaceful location used by families, children and dog walkers by day and is a tranquil place at night with dog walkers, skateboarders, tennis court users and star gazers. It is a dedicated sports field for cricket, rugby and football with lots of children and adult training camps as well as dog training schools. It is also the base for Seaford Rugby and Cricket clubs in addition to the lifeguard station. I'm sure there are other uses but those are the main ones I observe.

I have seen your policy and understand you want to protect the public and local residents from crime, anti-social behaviour and noise nuisance caused by irresponsible licensed premises. As there are no police in the town, they will not be able to effectively manage and police the night-time economy and take action against this premises if it starts to cause problems. This application for alcohol does not reflect the needs of this local community in and around the salts and I hope you reject this application as the most appropriate licensing strategy for this particular local area. There are already sufficient restaurants, bars, cafes, pubs and clubs in Seaford to adequately serve the needs of the 24,000 residents. I trust you will accept this objection as approving a licensing will detrimentally affect us.

I object on the grounds of:

1. Prevention of crime and disorder will not be handled with no police presence in the area. Remember the Trek. That was refused due to police being unable to manage the disorderly conduct of drunk people resulting in the serious life changing harm to someone, the damage to local property and even the MP got involved to stop the licence. As sales are to be supplied in and outside how can they guarantee care and control of the premises by effective management and supervision both within and outside the premises. This is a key factor in reducing crime and disorder and as the salts is such a vast area it would be

impossible to supervise. There are locked gates at all three entrances and in an emergency would prove difficult to access.

2. Prevention of public nuisance will not be possible as music noise is carried across the salts to what is currently peaceful quite area. People continually coming and going from the site, singing and shouting interfere with residents peaceful existence beginning either on park road, by Eversley court and Richmond Road and continuing on.

3. Public safety can be compromised with glasses, bottles discarded drug items and unknown other items bringing potential harm to families, children and animals using the fields and playground. The space is too small and users will be outside. They will also be in the playground and I won't be able to take my grandchildren there anymore for fear of finding glass in the sand pit, used condoms, drug paraphernalia, it will make our quiet existence intolerable.

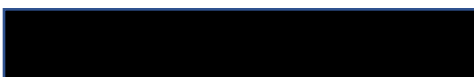
4. Protection of children from harm can't be guaranteed if drinking is allowed. There is already a bar at the cricket and rugby club with limited opening for game match days which must be sufficient for the salts. Allowing all day alcohol sales both inside and takeouts mean children will be exposed to drunken behaviour at all hours. See my point 3 re playground.

I can find no reference to this application on the Councils website and I would in addition to my objection like to know where you have discharged your duties to notify the public on your website please?

As far as a display at the salts, the one notice is hidden at the back, please can you go back and display the notices prominently on the site including the playgrounds and at all site entrances too? Please let me know when you have done this so I can monitor it.

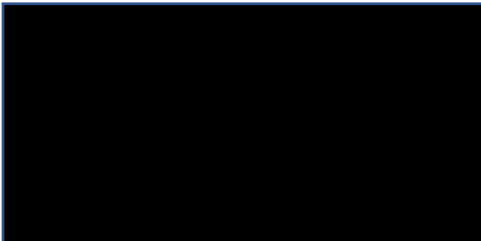
Please let me know when this meeting is going to be heard and how I can attend.

Yours faithfully



2. Prevention of public nuisance.

- Loud noise is amplified across the salts to what is currently a peaceful quiet area. As someone who lives directly opposite the salts cafe and skate park/tennis courts, I can confirm that the park acts as an amphitheatre to noise. Has anyone undertaken any kind of environmental study to see how this





I am aware that the owner of the salts cafe has made several strong posts on social media regarding this application, and has support for the venture, but I do not believe any of the people that have given positive feedback live directly in line of the cafe and the effect it will have on its local residents both during the day and late into the night. They will pop in, use the facilities and make their way home. If you would consider a license to this company, on these requests, I would like to know that a full environmental study has been taken on the impact it will have on the local area and it has been guaranteed that there will be no deterioration in the excellent standard of living we all have living here. I do not believe it could pass such a study.

I am also aware that the owner seems to be saying he will be applying for this license and then operating a much more limited service than they will be applying for. Why not then, apply for what they intend to use it for? It can only be assumed, and as would make good business sense, that they fully intend to use the license and that it will be incredibly detrimental to all the properties surround the area.

Yours faithfully

