

Objection 1

Further to your notice of application for on/off sales of alcohol at the above premises
Please note my interest is as the owner of Flats 1 and 2 Mascot House Digbeth Street Stow
GL54 1BN

I write to OBJECT to the granting of either on or off sales of alcohol at the above premises
The 2 flats as noted are directly above this shop and the additional noise and potential
unruly behavior is likely to cause my Tenants severe inconvenience with regards noise and
potential anti social behavior. The Pavement directly outside this shop is so narrow people
have to walk single file. Anyone stagger=ring out of these premises could cause a fatality
should they knock a pedestrian into the road at an oncoming vehicle.

One of the Tenants is a single young Female and the entrance to the flats is to the side of
this shop where people are very likely to congregate and potentially put her at risk of bad
behavior at best, physical harm at worst.

The value of my investment will likely drop for future lettings/value to sell

There are over 12 licensed premises both Pub and Tea rooms in Stow with at least 2 on
sales at the Deli and the CO-OP and for the size of the town i believe this is ample, plus the
large Tesco on the periphery of the Town

If you need more proof of ownership etc please let me know

Regards

Carl Deering

Objection 2

I am writing in regards to the planning application for Shop 2, Mascot House, Digbeth Street,
GL54 1BN. My address is Flat 1 Mascot house. So as you can imagine I am directly above
the aforementioned shop. This when I moved in was an art gallery and as far as I am aware
has always been a shop or something of that nature. I am writing to say in all honesty I
would not have even considered moving into a place which above what the future owners
are proposing is a bar. A bar is significantly different in all manner of reasons to an art
gallery.

The fact that such a move to change the purpose of this shop to a licensed bar is
quite frankly staggering. An art gallery is generally a quiet place with relatively few
visitors during normal working hours. A bar is the complete antithesis to this being loud
open and in the evening drawing large amounts of people who by nature will be drinking
therefore will be to say the least bring a different level of noise than your average art
gallery visitor. Presumably if it's a bar it will be playing music. I would like to draw your
attention to the fact whilst being in my sitting room when the gallery was open I could hear
the owner talking at a normal level on the telephone. I could also hear if he was having a
perfectly normal conversation with someone in person. So as you can imagine having music
playing at any time of the day coupled with noise of people talking will extremely quickly
become very tiresome indeed and will actually render my sitting room and kitchen
useless to sit in,use and relax in. Along with the adjacent bedroom which my housemate
occupies. And I think it's fair to say when people are in such establishments their voices
become elevated and this only intensifies as people try and talk louder to be heard because
of the increasing levels of noise caused by other people. People on the whole also tend to

raise their voices the more they drink. I do appreciate that this proposed place doesn't just sell alcohol but this will presumably be the thing mainly consumed in the evening. Which will be the time residents are obviously more likely to be at home. I don't see why I have finished a day at work. I should be subjected to this amount of impending noise. It's my right as a citizen to live a peaceful existence. They may argue it closes at 9pm but when do the staff leave or the last customer I guarantee you it will not be 9. So on certain days after work I'm looking at having to put up with at least 3-4 hours of disturbance by which time it will basically be time to go to sleep. And this not even including weekends, which will be all day. If this bar was here first that would be acceptable because I would go into this knowingly. I shouldn't have to move at great expense to get relative peace. The bar should have to move and find another site which won't disturb people.

I would also like to highlight what is going to happen about the outside of the property. Because of the nature of the street where my front door is, there is extra pavement which is clearly where people will congregate and smoke which like the front door is directly below one of our windows. I also don't really want to have to fight through people to get to my front door or have people drinking or smoking directly below my window. In summer this would clearly be intolerable. The apartment is warm to say the least and all the windows need to be opened fully on summer evenings. So just re-emphasize this bar would bring noise and people hanging around outside my property would also in all probability bring smoke. I can't really think of anything that would disturb me or my fellow residents any more than this proposition.

On a more general note there are plenty of places in Stow on the Wold where you can get an alcoholic drink from. There are at least 8 pubs that I know of and a wine bar. So why is this here on a street which is just residential or shops. I appreciate Stow needs more places than the average to cater for tourists. And yes they bring in valuable money however sometimes the right of the resident must come first and I as resident over the course of my life will spend a lot more of more money on local places than a tourist would. If the council approves more and more things like this Stow will just become a museum with loads of gift shops and holiday homes because no one will actually want to live here. It's not the tourists that give Stow its vibe, it's the residents.

I am more than happy to show anyone from the council my property, so I can demonstrate the shortcomings of this proposition.

Edward Stevens