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The In-between Bar Proposal Representations - Opposing the Application of a Premises License and Planning/Change of Property use.

In line with the licensing and planning process I would like to make representations as below.

Firstly I am saddened and disappointed that any consideration for another licensed premises in this area is on the table.

Protection of Children from Harm;

As the proposed premises is joined and neighbours residential flats on both sides and above - with children currently in residence there a potential safeguarding risk. Sadly the children currently are exposed to unacceptable anti- social behaviours that licensing, local councillors and police have had brought to attention and struggle to resolve. All of which sits within a local Shirebrook and Langwith Junction Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO). This order appears impossible to implement and manage due to a lack of visibility from the authorities and lack of proof to enforce the said areas on the order. As such children in the vicinity of the new proposed premises would be even more at risk from the effects of smoking both seeing it as an acceptable social norm and the effects of second hand smoke and potentially litter from discarded nub ends. They would also be exposed to inappropriate conversations and language. The proposed beer garden smoking area is so small and encroaches on neighbours access and privacy and will be in view and earshot to neighbours - for example this will ensure second hand smoke is shared and new words heard and learnt as acceptable. Currently we are blessed with certain levels of antisocial behaviours that happen mainly when other local establishments are open, so having an additional premises so close by will not help with reducing this and will support the current levels of behaviours. This will be a delight for those who take part mostly intoxicated. Again this will be a safeguarding issue for the children as I have already stated the local residents are treated

to bad language , intoxicated behaviours from locals under the influence of alcohol consumption, using area as a toilet and smoking of both legal and illicit substances. With this new premises application including a music licence additional unwanted noise pollution will increase within the area. I would also be concerned that such an environment will place the children living there at additional risks from strangers as the open proposed beer garden premises are unsuitable and too small that could lead to the risk of child abuse. The current children who reside there use this area to play in. I would be interested to see any supporting policies and staff procedures relating to Safeguarding of Children. I would also be interested in the training program that the proposed owner and staff go through with regard to MASH referrals and managing anti- social behaviour, noise pollution and smoking on premises (including referrals to smoking cessation initiatives). I would like to see how these fit in with the licensing objectives as I have yet to be reassured they work. With regard to music and banter noise - for example that will affect children sleeping - what hours do the premises propose to close ? Having an additional licensed premises so close is a concern for me and my family who visit with young children.

#### Public Safety;

Having already unknowingly met the proposed premises owner and proposed manager of the business on the 18th July 2025 they will be fully aware of the frequent antisocial behaviour issues. I do believe both were contacting the police and I hope they had adequate reassurance that the authorities take this seriously. I am still awaiting. I refer to the gang fight on the 18th July 2025 outside the proposed premises rear entry. As stated the proposed licensee/landlord Mr Andrew Roy Slater, was also present at the time and witnessed this event so must be very aware and concerned of the issues in the area. I have had property damage in the past , numerous punctures from smashed glass and on this occasion witnessed gangs shouting abusive insults at each other and throwing rocks, several neighbours witnessed this and were lucky no one got injured. Sadly this behaviour is not uncommon. I would be interested how the proposed premises would manage this especially stopping such intoxicated gangs entering the premises. I also have concerns having another premises so close will encourage congregation of customers/locals on the public footpath and parking area outside local houses. These areas currently are used as a toilet and haven for broken glass on regular occasions. I can see

people not having enough space and congregate in these areas as the norm. This increases anti-social behaviour and noise.

The premises are very close to the main road so again risks from traffic and people congregating on the pavement/road and blocking access for pavement users. A risk of death if someone gets run-over.

I do wonder how selective with customers a new manager will be as cash is cash and will not be turned away - intoxicated people pose a threat to public safety. I would be very interested in knowing the proposed premises Mission Statement and Company Values and how they are lived within the environments they currently manage.

Another area I would be interested to be reassured is how the premises will ensure the Equality Act 2010 will be adhered to ensuring Public Safety to the strands within this act. Shirebrook has much diversity and some of this leads to problems when people are intoxicated. Also access for users of wheelchairs for example and the current plans on planning would to me seem a barrier - as getting to the single toilet is via steps and narrow corridor. This would definitely be a Public Safety issue. Ps loved the proposed plan drawing.

#### Prevention of Public Nuisance;

The two areas as above rather encompass this. Sadly during other venues in the area licensing hours Main Street has had many Public Nuisances Instances and adding yet another licensed premises is shorted sighted and rather baffling to me ! Sadly there has been a serious assault that took place more or less outside said proposed premises a few weeks ago. The authorities have the said PSPO order in place but it is broken in every instance many times in the area as reported on their website. Sadly the police are under represented in Shirebrook and the Wardens are also stretched and the PSPO order is not enforced or really enforceable. Look at the incident the proposed premises owner and business manager witnessed on the 18th July 2025. With no disrespect neither will be living in the area so the problems are not really taken seriously. Any economic gains and potential investment to combat Prevention of Public Nuisance is not there the money leaves the area as does any chance of positive reinvestment. I am very interested in how the proposed management will differentiate from intoxicated want to be served at any cost customers from the nice fluffy customers they want. How do your policies and procedures support this and prevent public nuisance?

## Reduction of Crime and Disorder;

Phew finally getting to the end- this now encompasses all three areas above. My question is simple - how will an additional licensed premises on Main Street reduce crime and disorder - convince me !

There are frequent street arguments I can share these with you from CCTV recordings including inappropriate shouting, a delightful dictionary of swearing, Olympic style bottle throwing and glass smashing not to forget damage to local residents property. My visitors have been targeted in their car in the road on several occasions due to this, again only during licences premises opening times- only to be met by verbal abuse sadly they don't visit now except during day time hours. This is in the In-between zone ! The proposed manager witnessed this first hand on 18th July 2025 with the two gangs fighting and watched by other members of the local community. Again what are the proposed policies and procedures to ensure a Reduction of Crime and Disorder? What are the proposed strategies and investment in the area to tackle Crime and Disorder ? Just the name the In-between is confusing - in-between what - I think it's a ploy to attract customers from the various outer premises this proposed one will be In-between ! This worries me as again will encourage congregation in areas not managed by the premises and the (could be a TV show) Who's Responsibility is it game starts - the Licensing Authority - Environmental Health - Police and Wardens - Council - the Proposed Premises - or no one and it passes into weeks and no responses and live with it or even a response of move.

I know any negotiations will tell me how the Police and Council will be on board and how this won't happen with the proposed premises will be magically managed - that episode sadly is a repeat episode. I can assure the proposed management of the premises I will be supporting all communications with the above to the local authorities when the four areas as above are in question or a breach of licensing and planning objectives fail.

I fully oppose this licence application and planning application. The In-Between Bar Main Street Shirebrook. 22/08/2025.

Regards Andrew Wainman