Outlook

Comment on application for alcohol licence at Hemlington Post Office.

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Hello Licencing committee,

I would like to raise following comments on this application.

1. There are already 3 places in the centre that sell alcohol.
2. In addition to these, many people are in easy access of other premises that sell alcohol.
3. The premises is currently a post office, it is an important part of the community. Providing basic banking facilities and postal facilities. These could be impacted if the premises sell alcohol.
4. The premises also sell items that are not available in other shops in the centre. There would be a concern that they would stop selling these to sell alcohol.
5. Often there is only one person serving at the desk. They have to swap between the post office counter and the shop counter.
6. The shop is very packed. I am not sure whether it would be safe to sell alcohol from there.
7. There is a lack of lighting in the car park behind the premises. Workers need to be safe to attend work at the times provided.
8. With the exception of the vet, other adjacent properties close earlier than the post office currently. This means risk to safety of customers and workers later on evenings.

Whilst I have no objection to any particular business having a licence or for any to have an alteration of licence, I don't believe that there is either a need for an additional licence in Hemlington. Also I believe other mitigation needs to be in place to ensure both the safety of customers and staff especially early morning or after other premises close before any licence is considered.

kind regards
Tracie Lightfoot
local resident.

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