

Nick Watts

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 August 2016 18:25
To: Tara OKeefe
Subject: Re: Hope & Anchor Inn - Variation Application

Dear Tara

This parish council are particularly concerned about allowing amplified entertainment in external areas 12.00 hrs – 20.00 hrs. Does this mean it is allowed, potentially, for 365 days a year? There is a history of complaints about amplified music at this pub going back some years and I believe they were restricted on this. However, the restriction has been blatantly ignored on many occasions. Parish council would prefer a limitation on these events. Due to the geography of the village the sound carries across the whole valley and echoes around the cove and this has been cause for many complaints over the years. Even if you live on the edge of the village it can sound like the band is next door!

I would welcome further information so I can go back to the parish councillors.

Jan Carter
Clerk to South Huish Parish Council

From: Tara OKeefe
Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2016 12:25 PM
To: SH-All Parish Clerks ; SH-All Members
Subject: Hope & Anchor Inn - Variation Application

Dear All

We have received a variation to the premises licence of Hope & Anchor Inn, Hope Cove, Kingsbridge, TQ7 3HQ from St Austell Brewery Company Ltd.

The nature of the proposed variation is to:

- make changes to the plan to alter the internal area which regulated entertainment take place
- to allow amplified entertainment to take place in external areas (12:00hrs – 20:00hrs)
- to change the sale of alcohol hours from 09:00hrs – 00:00hrs to 08:00hrs – 00:00hrs
- to allow the sale of alcohol to residents and their bona fide guests until 01:00 and 03:00 on New Year's day
- to allow residents and their bona fide guests to be on the premises throughout the whole day until 01:45hrs and 03:45hrs New Year's Day

If you would like to make a representation, please send to the Licensing Department at South Hams District Council or email licensing@swdevon.gov.uk no later than 14th September 2016. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or would like to see a copy of the application.

Many Thanks

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13 September 2016

SHDC Licensing Dept.
via email

Dear Sirs

Licensing Act 2003 - Variation of Premises Licence
Hope & Anchor Inn, Hope Cove, Kingsbridge TQ7 3HQ

With reference to the above variation application this parish council wish to make the following objections:

1. Amplified entertainment to take place in external areas (12.00 hrs - 20.00 hrs) Due to the geography of Hope Cove i.e. a steep valley with the Hope & Anchor Inn situated at sea level, any amplified entertainment can clearly be heard around the whole village. The valley and bay act like an amphitheatre with its attending acoustics. Your records should show that investigations were carried out by SHDC prior to the previous ban on amplified music with visits to properties taking noise level meter readings. The ruling is relaxed for the annual Hope Cove Weekend in August, which is accepted, but we speak for many local residents in strongly objecting to amplified entertainment all year round as the noise will be disturbing. Hope Cove is a quiet, seaside village - not a Torbay seafront.
2. To allow the sale of alcohol to residents and their bona fide guests until 01.00 hrs and 03.00 hrs N.Y. Day and to allow residents and their bona fide guests to be on the premises throughout the whole day until 01.45 hrs and 03.45 hrs. N.Y. Day.

The parish council is very concerned about the extension of these hours and sale of alcohol as this could result in more noise and disturbance when the bona fide guests finally leave the Inn, particularly as there are a number of residential properties very close by. Weddings and Receptions are held at the Inn and therefore the bona fide guests could become very large numbers indeed and very possibly inebriated and noisy!

We noted that your Public Notice in the Kingsbridge & Salcombe Gazette made no reference to the actual hours of this proposed extension and therefore the public were unaware just how late they are, unless viewing your website. Had they been properly and fully informed in the newspaper there could have been more objections than those we have received.

Finally, the parish council make the comment that to start serving alcohol at 8.00 am would seem to be entirely unnecessary.

Yours faithfully

Jan Carter
Clerk to the SOUTH HUISSH PARISH COUNCIL



Re the licensing application for the Hope and Anchor Inn, Hope Cove



September 13, 2016

Dear Sir or Madam,

I wish to object to this application.

I am not a resident of Hope Cove, but my wife, children and I (along with grandchildren in recent years) have been visiting the village for holidays since 1999. We normally stay in the flat above the shop and post office and have long been 'in love' with Hope Cove.

Its charm lies essentially in its being a place where people can enjoy a traditional family holiday and get away from the stresses - including noise - that are part and parcel of everyday life for many of us these days.

It is of considerable concern and disappointment to us that the character of Hope Cove is increasingly under attack, and that people who insist on taking their dogs on to the 'no dogs' beach are no longer the only irritant.

Late night disturbance from The Cove caused us to object to a licensing application for that establishment a year-or-so ago. And now it seems the Hope & Anchor may be joining in a competition to take the village into a downward spiral of increased noise and rowdiness.

How can its application not cause eyebrows to rise? Why, for example, does it wish to be able to serve alcohol from 8am? Indeed, one might well ask the same question about 9am. Who wants to be drinking from that time in the morning?

The application to serve alcohol until 1am and "to allow residents and their bona fide guests to be on the premises throughout the whole day until 01:45hrs" is also very disquieting (if you'll excuse the pun).

What does "on the premises" mean? Does it include the chairs and tables outside the pub? Whether it does or doesn't, there would inevitably be noise spillage on to the street (not least because of smokers). Further to this, the proposals for New Year's Eve/Day are especially excessive.

If granted, this application would condemn residents and family holidaymakers in Hope Cove to more late-night loud conversation and waves of raucous laughter outside the pub, and slamming of car doors.

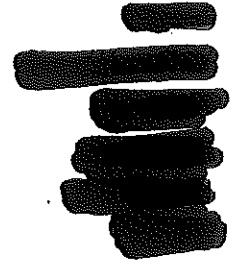
Hope Cove is not a natural habitat for stag party revellers and other examples of the Great British Oik. The further incursion of the species into Hope Cove should not be encouraged by your licensing authority.

Yours faithfully,

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05 SEP 2016



The Licensing Manager
South Hams District Council
Follaton House
Plymouth Road
Totnes
TQ9 5NE

31st August 2016

Dear Sirs,

Re Licensing Act 2003
Notification Printed in Kingsbridge Gazette dated 26th August 2016

We are writing to object to the application by St Austell Brewery Co Ltd, for amplified music outside the Hope & Anchor Inn , Hope Cove, Kingsbridge TQ7 3HQ, to be played between 12.00 and 20.00.

When Mr Hilary West owned the Hope and Anchor Inn, outside amplified music was stopped by South Hams District Council due to the noise and disturbance. The only exception is the Hope Cove weekend event held annually at the end of August.

Hope Cove is a very quiet and peaceful community and that is why people choose to reside here.

We do hope this application will be refused, it really isn't necessary or acceptable in this environment.

Yours faithfully,

Cc. Simon Wright (Councillor) c/o Follaton House

Cc. South ~~Hams~~ Parish Council : Clerk

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Tel/fax: 01548 561913



Nick Watts

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 11 September 2016 16:24
To: Tara OKeefe
Subject: Re: The Hope & Anchor Variation Application

Dear Ms OKeefe

Thank you for sending me the details of the application for variation of the premises licence at the Hope & Anchor, Hope Cove.

Our comments are below:

- We would be against the installation of amplification and speaker equipment in external areas. No information on the application details exactly where such equipment might be situated. Ourselves and the other adjoining cottages which are rented out for holidays would be severely affected by noise from these plans.
- We would also object to the sale of alcohol to residents and their bona fide guests until 01.00hrs on a regular basis. Extension licences can be granted for special occasions - (weddings, village fetes and galas and New Year's Eve celebrations etc.) but we would be against the regular licencing hours being extended. There would be no control over the attendees and already we have noise problems with people leaving the premises after midnight and would not wish to see this extended to 01.45hrs and 03.45 on New Year's Day.

There is a covenant on the cottages in the terrace not to make a noise which would impede the enjoyment and cause nuisance to the other residents. This must also surely apply to the Hope and Anchor which was originally owned by the same family who built the terrace known as Anchor Cottages.

Hope Cove is noted and advertised by all the housing and tourist agencies as a quiet fishing village. These plans further make the village as a high profile, noisy and crowded venue totally out of keeping with the area which is in the AONB. I trust you will take these comments on board when considering the application.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]

On Thursday, 8 September 2016, 10:02, Tara OKeefe <Tara.Keefe@swdevon.gov.uk> wrote:

Dear [REDACTED]

Firstly I would like to apologise for the delay in sending this information to you. The details of the proposed variation application for The Hope & Anchor is as follows:

- make changes to the plan to alter the internal area which regulated entertainment take place
- to allow amplified entertainment to take place in external areas (12:00hrs – 20:00hrs)
- to change the sale of alcohol hours from 09:00hrs – 00:00hrs to 08:00hrs – 00:00hrs
- to allow the sale of alcohol to residents and their bona fide guests until 01:00 and 03:00 on New Year's day
- to allow residents and their bona fide guests to be on the premises throughout the whole day until 01:45hrs and 03:45hrs New Year's Day

Under the Live Music Act 2012 a licensed premises can have live or recorded music from 8am – 11pm and further information can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/entertainment-licensing-changes-under-the-live-music-act> The external areas of the premises are licensed for consumption of alcohol so legally they can have live or recorded music outside until 11pm regardless of the conditions attached to the premises licence.



Nick Watts

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 September 2016 13:55
To: SW-Licensing
Subject: Hope & Anchor Inn, Hope Cove, Kingsbridge, TQ7 3HQ from St Austell Brewery Company Ltd
Attachments: PastedGraphic-9.tiff
Categories: Tara

Dear Sir/madam,

It has been brought to the notice of myself and my family, that once again another local Hope Cove business is trying to change the 'family friendly atmosphere' of Hope Cove. I understand from an application made by St Austell Brewery that a variation to licensing hours is being applied for, which will allow a change to both licensing hours and to noise pollution?

Firstly I wish to point out that I am not a resident in the South-hams Council Area, however I have been visiting and staying in Outer Hope Cove for 17+ years. At least twice a year and sometimes three times a year. My family and friends have also visited The Haven (above the Post Office), regularly also. Although I am not a resident but a frequent visitor, I feel that my views should be considered when considering the premises Licence Variation to the Hope & Anchor Inn.

I notice that the variable licensing request is to make changes to the plan to alter the internal area in which regulated entertainment takes place and to allow amplified entertainment to take place in external areas (12:00hrs - 20:00hrs) and to change the sale of alcohol hours from 09:00hrs - 00:00hrs to 08:00hrs - 00:00hrs and to allow the sale of alcohol to residents and their bona fide guests until 01:00 and 03:00 on New Year's Day. To allow residents and their bona fide guests to be on the premises throughout the whole day until 01:45hrs and 03:45hrs New Year's Day. I am opposed to this variable licensing application for the following reasons:

1. The serving of alcohol from 8:00am to 9:00am is ludicrous as the majority of reasonable people wouldn't consider the consumption of Alcohol before 10:30/11:30am totally unnecessary. The only people that would want to consume alcohol at that time of day would be predominately young men on Stag Parties or Alcoholics.
2. Being allowed to consume alcohol from 08:00 - 1:00am is 15hours and 18hours on New Year's Day. This will cause a major disturbance to local residents and families on holiday in the self catering properties in Hope Cove.
3. Serving alcoholic beverages for this length of time will encourage 'thuggish behaviour' and public order offences. The noise level of guests leaving the Hope & Anchor at a time when the majority of people in Hope Cove will be sleeping, will cause a major disturbance and I believe that Law Enforcement Officers will be required to attend and take action.
4. Playing amplified music outside is acceptable during the day if it is kept at a reasonable volume, i.e., so that music can't be heard in the Haven or other self catering properties with the windows open.

I would also like to point out that Outer Hope Cove is residential and to have another noisy business in such close proximity to holiday homes and other residences is unacceptable and will deter families from wanting to stay in Outer Hope Cove.

Outer Hope Cove is a safe holiday location for many families with young children and like ourselves have always found the noise levels to be kept to a minimum during the late evenings. The Hope & Anchor has always been considerate to noise levels in the past which has made Outer Hope Cove to be seen as a family friendly holiday resort.

Up until two years ago my wife and family had been recommending people to come and stay at the Haven but since the problems with The Harbour Lights (The Cove), we have had to inform Mr and Mrs Masters that we can no-longer recommend staying at the Haven because of the erratic noise levels and closing times. I wish to support Mr and Mrs Master's objection to the proposed application. They have been proprietors of the Hope Cove Post Office and The Haven holiday apartment for many years and I feel that the noise levels of The Cove and now by the Hope & Anchor, if this application is approved, will be seriously damaging on Mr and Mrs Master's business.

It would appear that the aim of the Hope & Anchor and the Cove is to make Hope Cove more attractive to young visitors looking for a party atmosphere, than holiday makers which in the long term I believe will have a detrimental effect, and deter families with children from holidaying here. This I believe will not only be sad for the local people who love Hope Cove but have a major impact on the economy of the village.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Tel: [REDACTED]

Mobile: [REDACTED]





[REDACTED]

12th September 2016

Licensing Application Objection-St Austell Brewery, Hope and Anchor, Hope Cove, TQ7 3HQ

Dear Sirs

After careful consideration I would like to object to the above application. We are the adjoining business and residential apartment where we live with our three year old son. I object on the following grounds against the licensing objectives.

Prevention of Crime & Disorder - The addition of bona fide guests concerns us greatly as we assume that this could include private functions. The Hope and Anchor Inn have only staged a handful of functions during 2016, the majority of which have resulted in noise and rowdy behaviour beyond their current licensing hours.

During the recent Hope Cove Weekend there were many examples of how the Hope and Anchor consistently fail to manage their outside area after their licensing hours. I myself came out at 1.45am during Hope Cove Weekend to move their customers away from our property as the noise in our home was disrupting my son's sleep.

Prevention of Public Nuisance - The amplified music license is unacceptable to us even though the hours are limited between 12pm and 8pm. Outside music travels through the village valley up to the residential properties and other businesses in the area. Customers and residents should have the choice as to whether they wish to listen to live music or enjoy the current peace and quiet of Hope Cove. No other business has an outside amplified music license and I believe historically this has been a problem for residents in the village which is why the amplified music was removed from their current license.

By offering an extended licence to residents and their bona fide guests will in our opinion result in up to 250 guests leaving the premises at 1.45am, either walking through the village to accommodation or getting into taxis with the associated noise. The Hope and Anchor only have a small amount of accommodation so this noise cannot possibly be contained. I also question the definition of a bona fide guest and how this can be managed effectively to ensure it does not become a license to serve after midnight.

This license if granted shows disregard for the residents of Hope Cove and holiday lets in the area and looks to change the whole dynamics of a currently very popular tourist and residential area. Temporary Events Notices allow for special events and for each event to be judged on its own merits by the relevant authorities who can look at each case individually.

Should you require examples of public nuisance that we have so far tolerated from The Hope and Anchor then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]



Nick Watts

From: Anna Pooley
Sent: 07 September 2016 16:48
To: Tara OKeefe
Cc: James Kershaw
Subject: FW: Hope & Anchor Inn - Variation Application

Dear Tara

Re: Hope & Anchor Inn, Variation Application

The application seeks to allow the outside areas to be used until 20:00 for amplified music, this area is surrounded by residential properties and the unfettered use of this area is likely to cause a public nuisance by way of noise. The extension of licensable hours for the sale of alcohol to residents and their bona fide guests until 01:00 or 03:00 does not restrict numbers, again there is the potential for a public nuisance to arise when these guests leave the premises at such an early time of the morning/night.

I do believe that these proposed changes do not support the licensing objectives by way of protection of the public from a public nuisance, and would therefore request that this application is brought in front of the licensing committee.

Kind regards

Anna

Mrs Anna Pooley | Environmental Health Specialist
South Hams District Council | West Devon Borough Council
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From: Anna Pooley
Sent: 07 September 2016 14:20
To: Tara OKeefe <Tara.Keefe@swdevon.gov.uk>
Subject: FW: Hope & Anchor Inn - Variation Application

Dear Tara

Re: Hope & Anchor Inn – Variation Application

Environmental Health have concerns about the potential for noise problems if the application were to be granted, and therefore recommend that the variation application be referred to the Licensing Committee.

Kind regards

Anna

Anna Pooley | Specialist, Environmental Health
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Nick Watts

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 September 2016 15:24
To: SW-Licensing
Subject: Hope and Anchor, St Austell Brewery Application
Categories: Tara

10 September 2016

The Licensing Manager
South Hams District Council
Follaton House
Plymouth Road
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Devon
TQ9 5NE.

Hope & Anchor Inn, Hope Cove, Kingsbridge, TQ7 3HQ from St Austell Brewery Company Ltd

We object to the application posted by an agent on behalf of St Austell Brewery.
We own and provide holiday accommodation for visitors at The Haven, Hope Cove, and TQ74BP.

We object very strongly to the manner of the notice posted in The Kingsbridge and Salcombe Gazette and also at the premises. The notice is disingenuous omitting relevant time detail. The notice should surely include this detail, failure to do so does not inform residents and interested parties of the onerous changes which will impact the reasonable, peaceful enjoyment of Hope Cove.

There can be no justification for alcohol being available from 0800hrs. Most reasonable people would suggest 0900hrs is very early to be consuming intoxicating beverages.

The noise nuisance from amplified music outside the premises must be considered. Provided the level does not affect our guests, we do not object. The music should not be heard inside our premises with windows open. (Please note the conditions imposed on The Cove Bar adjacent to our building)

Excessive volume will cause distress and disturbance to visitors and permanent residents alike.

The extended hours for residential guests at The Hope and Anchor are not acceptable. Families nearby do not expect to be disturbed at 0145hrs (0200hrs realistically) by dispersing 'guests' creating vocal and vehicular noise.

The additional hours at New Year are unacceptable. Ejecting guests at 0345hrs (0400hrs realistically totaling over 18 hours of alcohol consumption) will cause massive disturbance and is likely to create public order issues.

This village, where we have conducted business and welcomed visitors for over 20 years will be the worse for the gradual erosion of the tranquility associated with excessive consumption of alcohol until the early hours.

We would be grateful for clarity as to the requirements of a public notice and what can be left out to confuse those most likely to be affected.

We look forward to a letter of receipt for this objection



Naomi Wopling

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 08 September 2016 11:04
To: Naomi Wopling
Subject: Licensing

Hi Naomi

Re Hope and Anchor inn

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Music

The proposal to have piped music 12 noon to 8pm will transform our lovely haven into Butlins with audible wallpaper plus

visitors attracted by that music. I protest very strongly against it. It is out of keeping and out of taste in our village where people

holiday to enjoy the scenery and peace [which is why we came to live here].

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The provision of alcohol until one am on a regular basis is applying for the a pattern rather like that The Cove applied for

and led [REDACTED] to insist late night music [even on an occasional basis] would damage the health of his staff.

What hypocrisy!!

Further more the provision for 'residents and their guests ' is a recipe for mayhem with groups partying outside til 2am +.

People would come on out here from other [closed] pubs and a virtual rave would ensue .

St.Austell brewery is intent on a full on 'makeover ' of our lovely usually peaceful village which will cause nuisance

disorder and lack of supervision of youngsters. Plus an onslaught on a small community which til now provided for families to have a safe

holiday without their children being exposed to drunken dancing Hope and Anchor customers til the early hours

I dont think either [redacted] can ever be accused of being mere complainers. Our experience of working with the public and knowledge of Hope Cove

[we ran the outdoor elements of Hope Cove weekend for six years] compel us to object strongly to this destructive proposal and firmly ask you to

reject it in the interest of local people and families ----like ourselves and protect our village from a permanent 'saturday-night fever'

best wishes

[redacted]



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The Licensing Manager
South Hams District Council
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10th September 2016

Re: Objection to the License variation submitted by St Austell Brewery Company Ltd
for Hope & Anchor Inn
Hope Cove
Kingsbridge
TQ7 3HQ

Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to register my objection to the proposed license variation by St Austell Brewery for The Hope & Anchor Inn in Hope Cove.

Having read the variation details it appears, in my opinion, that they are planning to turn the establishment into a party venue that can run from 8am to 1am serving alcohol throughout. Hope Cove is a quiet seaside village, not a city centre location where this type of establishment would be more suited.

On all four of the main licensing objectives

The variation to allow serving of alcohol from 8am seems irresponsible, encouraging people to start drinking earlier, then allowing them to continue to drink throughout the day until 1am the following morning. The term "Bona fide guests" is very open to interpretation, to the extent that it effectively means "anyone they choose to serve" (it also backs the idea of the premises being a "party venue" and these would be the guests). The vast majority of these would not be residents and hence would be leaving the premises at around 1:45am. This would lead to more drunken disorder, public nuisance and noise nuisance within the village as these people then try to find their way back to their accommodation, disturbing the families, including children, who were expecting a quiet holiday village. It would also lead to road safety issues as people decide that, as it's only "just around the corner in a quiet little village", they can drive back to their accommodation despite being over the drink drive limit.

On the "Prevention of Public Nuisance" licensing objective

The variation allows outdoor amplified music, which is of major concern. The village sits at the end of a valley and as such any loud noise tends to travel across the village and up the valley. This can be of huge annoyance to villagers and visitors alike. We have recently had "Hope Cove Weekend", an annual fun weekend in aid of charity. During this weekend, covered by temporary events notices, there is outdoor amplified music which can be heard to varying degrees across the village, even as

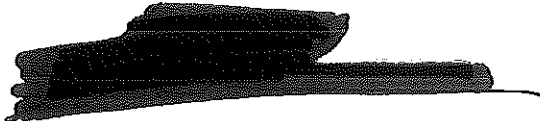
far up as my residence. Everyone accepts this as it is a fun event for charity that everyone gets involved with and it only happens once a year. Nobody would like this on a regular basis, which is what the license variation is asking for. (albeit limited to 8pm finish in theory)

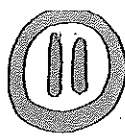
Whilst this may or may not be relevant, it is worth pointing out that during several events over this last few months, when there has been amplified music inside the Hope & Anchor Inn, this can still be heard and causing a public nuisance, across the village, because they have all of the doors and windows open. This is in fact in violation of their current premises license which clearly states: *"All external doors and windows must be kept shut, other than for access and egress, in all rooms when events involving amplified music or speech or other entertainment likely to give rise to noise are taking place"*

This shows a blatant disregard for their current license, and should, in my opinion, be taken into account when looking at the license variation application.

I am not against the idea of allowing a party or wedding in such a lovely seaside village, but surely this would be best handled on an individual basis via the use of temporary events notices rather than a blanket change to the premises license.

Yours faithfully,

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10th September, 2016

Dear Sirs,

Licence changes, PL0320, Hope & Anchor Inn, TQ7 3HQ.

I understand from an inconspicuous public notice and local word of mouth, of plans to change the licence for the above premises.

I have to tell you that I'm opposed to these licence alterations.

While Hope Cove is a popular holiday destination for a few weeks in the height of the summer, for most of the year the Cove is a quiet backwater. Outer Hope has less than 150 permanent residents, mostly over 65. I cannot think of a more inappropriate location for daily amplified external music and the serving of alcohol well into the following day.

I hope the Licence Authorities consider wisely before inflicting this potential nightmare on local residents.

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED]

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8th September 2016
OUR REF: WI/KB/080916

The Licensing Manager
South Hams District Council
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: St. Austell Brewery Company Limited – Premises License at the Hope & Anchor Inn, Hope Cove, Kingsbridge, South Devon TQ7 3HQ

We understand that St. Austell Brewery Company Limited have applied to vary their Premises License at the Hope & Anchor Inn, Hope Cove in order to allow amplified live music within the interior and exterior areas of the property (music outside between 12:00 and 20:00).

The Cottage Hotel guest bedrooms and staff accommodation both overlook the rear of the Hope & Anchor Inn and are close enough in proximity hear people's conversations when seated in the exterior section of the pub, let alone with live music!

Therefore, The Cottage Hotel strongly object to this application for the amendment to their current license as undoubtedly it will have a detrimental effect on our hotel residents as well as our non-resident trade and general business, simply due to the significant noise pollution. With our residents bedroom balconies and also our hotel communal terrace being in such a close proximity to the planned music venue, as well as our staff accommodation, a general lack of peace and quiet as well as sleep deprivation for our guests and staff will be inevitable.

The village of Hope Cove (being only a small rural fishing village) is already well-known for its quiet location and The Cottage Hotel has worked hard to establish itself as a quiet family hotel for the past 43 years! Indeed we have a long-standing reputation and even advertise our rooms as being quiet, restful and overlooking the cove (an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty), therefore you can appreciate that having live music only a stones-throw away could significantly damage our existing business!

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We see no reason why their existing license needs to be changed and would be grateful if you could please explain in writing the thinking behind this decision?

We thank you for your assistance in this matter and look forward to receiving your reply.

Yours faithfully,

William Ireland
Managing Director

