

"Lingmell"  
2, Grayling Mead  
Rowsey  
SO51 7RU  
12.06.07

Dear Mr White,

I have been reading in the Rowsey Advertiser of Fri June 8<sup>th</sup> about the liquor licensing concerns over the Euro garage on Greatbridge Rd in Rowsey.

In March this year, we & 2 other neighbours in Grayling Mead, whose gardens have fencing running along the Dishlake Meadows, had our fences damaged at 11.20 pm on a Friday night. This was

a) frightening, as we are both pensioners  
b) costly as horse insurance has an excess of £100.

c) time consuming to contact:

1) police, who responded quickly when we called them but did not find the culprits - we feel an axe or similar weapon must have been used as the fence is set up on a brick wall on a bank.

2) insurance as above & all the form filling involved

2 drunken youths were actually seen

by one neighbour who jumped in his car to find the culprits - either heading to or away from the Esso garage.

With all the emphasis on drinking & driving, why on earth are petrol stations allowed to sell ANY alcohol - full stop! It contravenes all logic!

I understand from Sally Lamb that the application for 24 hrs has been reduced to 18 hrs - in any sane person's estimation, this should be reduced to zero hrs. OK - sell food & soft drinks NOT alcohol. We ourselves are certainly not teetotal but we are responsible adults. Why let underage teenagers become such a threat to human decency & respect.

Yours sincerely