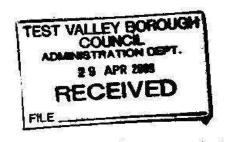
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7 Betteridge Drive Rownhams Southampton SO16 8LE

28th April 2009

Mr M White Licensing Authority Test Valley Borough Council Beech Hurst Weyhill Road Andover SP10 3AJ



Dear Mr White

Re: Premises Licence for Rownhams House, Rownhams, Southampton, SO16 8LS

We are writing to oppose the application by John Barber and Penelope Jill Barber of a Premises Licence for Rownhams House; we live very close and can see Rownhams House from one of our bedrooms. We were very careful when we purchased our house three years ago and before making an offer on the property checked out the surrounding area to ensure that it was peaceful during the daytime, evening and night. The news that Rownhams House could be granted a Premises Licence is extremely bad news for us. Very occasionally we get disturbed by noisy youth's in the early hours of the morning and on occasion we have had to call the Police, we in no way want this to become a regular occurrence with people leaving Rownhams House at all hours after attending a party, wedding or some other event; particularly after consuming alcohol. Last summer the play Private Lives was staged at Rownhams House; we were disturbed by streams of people walking past our house late evening talking very loudly and shouting with no regard to the residents – this is something that we should not have to put up with in a residential area.

Some years ago the owners of Rownhams House sold off the grounds to be developed for housing; this area should be just that – housing. If permission was granted it would devalue all of the properties in the area, it would need extra policing with cost implications and it would definitely disturb the residents which is really unfair, we all currently live in a peaceful area – why on earth would we want a party venue on our doorstep! Please help the residents of Rownhams and turn down this application.

Yours sincerely

Mr S J & Mrs N D Lindsay