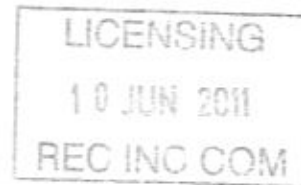


**Licensing South - Licensing hours for Six Bells 44 High st Thame**

**From:** "bill astles" <awastles@talktalk.net>  
**To:** <licensing@southoxon.gov.uk>  
**Date:** 08/06/2011 18:33  
**Subject:** Licensing hours for Six Bells 44 High st Thame



To Senior Officer, SODC Licensing Authority,

I understand that the Six Bells at 44 High Street Thame has applied for an extension to their licensing hours to:

Mon - Thurs to 00.30hrs  
Fri - Sat to 01.30hrs

I would point out that lower High Street Thame and its environs is a significant conservation area and the most attractive and historic part of Thame. St Mary's Church is sited to the front of 44 High Street and St Josephs Church to the rear. On all sides there are character properties valued up to £1 million and beyond. Many have been renovated by their owners to maintain the character of the area and maintain the image of Thame as an historic town and a tourist attraction.

I live in Mitchell Close which is to the rear of the Six Bells. I am unable to sleep with my bedroom window open as invariably rowdy revelers disturb the peace and further leave litter on footpaths and the roadway.

I wish to object formally to the application to extend the licensing hours for the Six Bells.

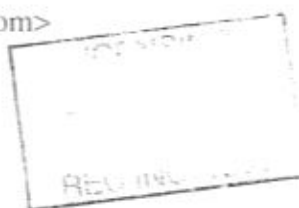
Yours faithfully,

AW Astles

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**Licensing South - Six Bells - Thame**

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**Subject:** Six Bells - Thame



Dear Licensing

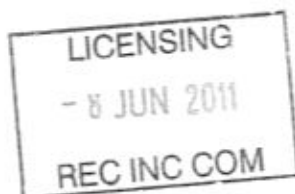
I would like to object to the extension of the opening hours of The Six Bells, Thame. We lodged an objection when there was a previous application to extend the opening hours due to good reasons:

- The Six Bells is located within a residential area - we already have problems with people leaving the Pub - we have found drunken individuals taking our flowers/pots and one person rolling our Bay Tree down the road. Extending the opening hours will increase the noise and disorder
- There is a lot of car noise late at night and extension of opening hours will increase this especially during the week where there are a lot of young children live in the vicinity and later opening would be disruptive particularly on school nights
- I am concerned about the opening hours will increase the amount of drinking by young people - the pub attracts a younger drinker

I hope you take these concerns on board

Best wishes

Tess Green

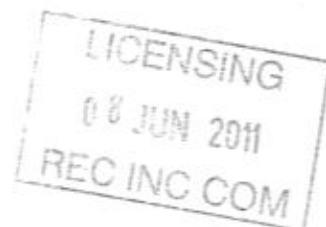


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Licensing Authority South Oxfordshire District Council

Reference. Application to extend the licensing hours of the  
SIX BELLS 44 HIGH STREET THAME OXFORDSHIRE. OX 9 2AD



We live at 77 HIGH STREET THAME OX 93 AE  
TEL 01844 215149

IN the four years we have lived here ,and although. We sleep in a room at the  
Back of the house ,we have been awakened. After 11 pm at night at least four times by noise outside  
the Six Bells INcluding the smashing of glass.

with. Excessive Alcohol being a serious health and social problem drinking hours should be  
decreased not. Increased.

WE ARE. AGAINST THE HOURS BEING INCREASED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES

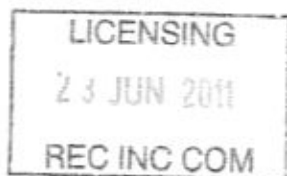
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Jeremy Lowe  
1 The Almsshouses  
69 High Street  
Thame  
Oxon  
OX9 3AE

21<sup>st</sup> June 2011

Dear Sirs

**Six Bells, 44 High Street, Thame, Oxon, OX9 2AD**  
**Application for extended opening hours**

We have received notification that the Six Bells public house in Thame has applied for extended opening hours (until 12.30am during weekdays and until 1.30am Friday and Saturday evenings).

Our property is opposite this public house and we would like to officially register our objection to this application.

The Public house is within a residential part of the high street which not only falls within a conservation area but also contains a number of listed buildings where both councils, conservation officers and residents try very hard to maintain its character and high standards. The impact on the residents and town folk particularly in this part of the town would be very damaging.

Based on the hours that drinks would be allowed to be served, I would anticipate people leaving well over an hour after last orders making it 2.30am or later on a Saturday night.

Having seen the impact in the local press what is happening in other parts of the town where there is late night openings there is no doubt that this would lead to arguments, fights, general bad behaviour, litter, vomit, damage to properties etc

We absolutely object to this application,

Yours sincerely,

Mr and Mrs Lowe

5 Mitchell Close

Thame

Oxon OX9 2ET

17/6/11



Dear Licensing Re: Six Bells, Thame

We have enclosed this petition against the extension of opening hours at the Six Bells Pub, Thame.

We have to put up with a lot of disturbance, parking problems already. There a number of young children who live in Brook Lane and Mitchell Close who are disturbed by noisy drinkers leaving the Pub.

Please take our concerns into account when you review the application.

Yours faithfully

Mrs T Green.

**Petition Against Extension of Opening Hours at The Six Bells, Thame**

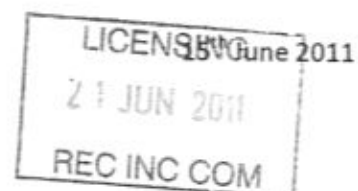
*Brook Lane, Mitchell Close & Spring Path Residents*

Name	Address	Signature
Anne & Paul Bradley	1 Mitchell Close	
Ros & Angus Gibbins	3 Mitchell Close	
Tess & Nick Green	5 Mitchell Close	
Sylvia & Mike Rains	7 Mitchell Close	
Liz & Bill	9 Mitchell Close	
Belinda & Jem	11 Mitchell Close	
June & Phillip	Spring Path	On holiday
Lorna & Aidan	12 Mitchell Close	
Margaret & Roger Connibear	10 Mitchell Close	
Rosalie Gibson	8 Mitchell Close	
Nick & Ally Pordt	6 Mitchell Close	
Fran & Sonja Lee	4 Mitchell Close	
Muna & Steve Mitchell	2 Mitchell Close	
Megan & Norman Piaghe	2a Mitchell Close	
Alyson & Chris	2b Mitchell Close	
M. A. LAURO	The Presbytery, Brook Lane	

*Dr. Anne - name*

*Providence Rowant,  
Brook Lane,*

Brook Lane  
Thame  
OX9



To whom it may concern,

**RE: Proposed extension of the licensing hours at the Six Bells Pub in Thame**

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- 2) The Six Bells Pub is surrounded on all sides by houses and families, so whichever way the drinkers go home, they are bound to upset someone; the noise is just about acceptable at 11pm, but certainly not at 1.30am!
- 3) We pay a lot in council tax (band F), and part of the reason for this being so high, we understand to be the lovely area in which we live. Extending the licensing hours of the six bells pub will certainly jeopardise this peaceful neighbourhood.
- 4) There have already been a lot of complaints from residents near the Black Horse Pub in Thame, due to its extended opening hours causing more noise and nuisance later into the night; we do not want the same to happen for ourselves and neighbours near the Six Bells. Please see the articles from recent editions of the Thame Gazette below/ enclosed as evidence of the potential disastrous consequences of extending the licensing hours of pubs in a quiet town/ residential area.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Yours sincerely

Mr & Mrs Waters

YOUR LETTERS

from Jill Gilbert,  
address supplied

We visited Thame for two nights last weekend and on arrival on Friday afternoon wandered around the pretty streets, looking at the local shops and exploring to our adult children that we had seriously looked at moving to Thame a few years ago.

That night we went to bed after a family meal, at around 11.30pm only to be kept awake for most of the night with a local pub banging, playing music into the High Street until around 1.30am, followed by the drunken dispersal of the clients, which went on for another hour and a half under the nose of the local police.

The music was so loud our room vibrated and the shouting and screaming in the High Street into the early hours made me very thankful that we had not made the move into the centre of Thame.

If left wondering how such a beautiful area was allowed to be ruined in this way.

The following night was peaceful and quiet even though a different pub had a function and people were obviously happily enjoying themselves without causing such distress to others.

I would not return to Thame for a visit in case I hit a night when the Black Horse was staging another noisy event.

If this is how Thame is happy to exist and the local populace

# Noisy night that turned me off Thame

## Show needs to cut entry price

from K. Ashby,  
address supplied

Further to your report on the Thame Country Show (Gazette April 25) I feel that I have to comment on the price of getting in to this event.

I went to this show last year with my two daughters and vowed never to go again.

While the contents of the show was good I really couldn't see what I was getting for my money.

There wasn't anything free and I even had to pay for the programme.

The kids were bored within about five minutes but I made them stay to get my money's worth.

I spent a fortune while I was there on things that I didn't realise that I even needed and after spending money on burgers and drinks I left with an empty wallet. To be frank I have better things to spend my money on.

Next time I will take all to Chessington World of Adventures for the same amount of money.

If it was cheaper to get into

## Spare a thought for the children

from Gareth Owen,  
humanitarian director,  
Save The Children

The holiday season has started. As we all enjoy the summer weather, please spare a moment's thought for the thousands of children and families living in displacement

across in Ivory Coast.

Violence in the West African country has driven over 500,000 children from their homes. They have been fleeing on foot, often without food, shelter or their families. Children are deeply distressed by the events taking place around them and for those in the camps, the situation is appalling. There is not enough food or clean water and medical supplies are running dangerously low as a

result of looting.

Save the Children staff are already working round the clock to identify children's needs and we are distributing essential household items, health kits, mosquito nets, buckets and play kits for families in the country. But there is so much more we need to be doing, and that's why we need your help.

We urgently need money to scale up our work training mothers and providing care and

support to survivors of sexual violence. This money will also help increase the number of health and education projects, emotional and psychological support and help keep children together with their families and in a safe environment.

Just £25 will provide children's kits for 100 people for six weeks.

Whatever you give will be a huge help to those vulnerable children who so desperately need it.

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end-of-life rights and how they can prepare for a good quality end of life, for example, by making an advance decision or lasting power of attorney.

The information line is on 0800 999 2434 and information can also be found online at [www.compassionindying.org.uk](http://www.compassionindying.org.uk).

Having seen two of my friends suffer unbearably during the last months of their life, making their families feel so helpless, I sincerely hope this new information line will ensure that more people will be able to find out their rights and access help at this difficult time.

## Rowdy pub regulars who give me a real headache

Name and address supplied

I write to you on behalf of the residents of Rooks Court, which is some 150 yards down the road from the Black Horse. Your

correspondent (Gazette, May 6) was quite right to complain about the noise and rowdy behaviour of its clientele.

We are disturbed by the noise until the early hours of the morning and by the screaming and foul-mouthed shouting.

My sympathy goes out to those who live in the flats opposite the pub and in new houses to the rear of the Money Spinner shop.

Something needs to be done about this continuing disturbance and about the broken bottles and glasses and the vomit we have to contend with next morning.

When the pub's music licence comes up for renewal then the public should be advised in a very positive way so that objections can be made to protect a residential area from such blight.

I came to live in Thame because it offered a charming quiet atmosphere, and I did not expect to have to lie in bed and listen to such disturbances.

**YOU CAN ALSO HAVE YOUR SAY** **COMMENT**  
FUNCTION ON OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.THAME.TODAY.CO.UK](http://WWW.THAME.TODAY.CO.UK)



Name and address supplied

I would like to add my support to readers who have recently drawn attention in your paper to the antisocial behaviour which we have to endure from clients of the Black Horse pub in Thame town centre.

Over the past few years I have had to call the police on more than one occasion because of the disturbances which are regularly caused.

And since the music licence was granted this has become an added nuisance to people living nearby, especially as it goes on until the early hours. Sometimes there are still noisy people around at 4am.

I understand that most pubs close at 11pm so cannot this rule be applied to the Black Horse? Perhaps then we could all have a peaceful Friday night and Sunday morning.

We hear so much about keeping Thame tidy and respectable but this is a black spot which should be dealt, with particularly the question of litter, vomit and abusive language.

Please will someone in authority listen to our complaints?

# Can't someone rein in the Black Horse?

Civic Centre car park by Aylesbury Vale District Council to coincide, scarily, with the opening of the Waterside Theatre this surely adds more reasons NOT to visit Aylesbury for entertainment in the evening.

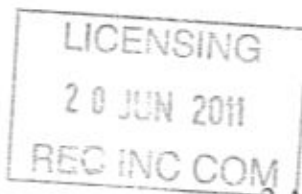
How many shows or films at the cinema finish in time to catch a bus home that early?

Some have barely started by this time let alone finished, forcing people to drive

in, with no free car parks in the vicinity of either venue – or even worse, pay for the vast expense of taxis, which in my experience at least, are neither a reliable or affordable alternative.

Both the council and Arriva should get their act together, as both organisations are helping to bang the final nails into the coffin that is Aylesbury.





16<sup>th</sup> June 2011

2 Almshouse Cottage  
69 LOWER High St,  
Thame, Oxon OX9 3AE

Licensing Authority  
South Oxfordshire District Council

Dear Sirs

Re Six Bells 44 LOWER High St, Thame, Ox9 2AD

We most strongly object to extending the opening hours at the above as this is a quiet Residential only part of Thame backing onto the Church and is surrounded only by old Cottages in the conservation area. The road itself is narrow as all the cottages front Straight onto the road . This end of the High St being the lower High St is not in the Main part of Thame where all the shops pubs and businesses are hence it is not Appropriate for late night hours.

We have had in the past terrible trouble with this Pub and have been kept awake for hours By anti social behaviour from youngsters at the back of this Pub where there is a seating Area and where they congregate and then for about 2 hours after closing for them to come down the alley way and finally disperse from the front of the Pub after urinating On walls and shouting abuse and fighting.

We are sure you are aware of the times in the past we have had to phone the Pub and Brewery and then the Police and we contemplate with horror later opening hours as there Is already trouble in the main part of the town from anti social behaviour and if these Hours are permitted then they will congregate at the Six Bells again which will be a Disaster and we cannot accept this in any shape or form as we have had broken windows And cars vandalized in the past.

Mr. and Mrs. T.G. Farrow

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Brook Lane  
Thame  
OX9



15<sup>th</sup> June 2011

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Yours sincerely,

Mr & Mrs Waters

The Homestead Residents Association  
The Homestead  
Oxford Road  
Thame  
Oxfordshire

The Licensing Authority  
South Oxfordshire District Council  
Benson Lane  
Crowmarsh Gifford  
OX 10 8NL



16.6.2011

Dear Sirs,

We understand that the proprietors of The Six Bells, Public House, at:

44 The High Street, Thame, OX9 2AD

have applied for a variation of their licensing hours to:

Monday – Thursday: 00.30 a.m.

Friday – Saturday: 01.30 .m.

We wish to oppose these extended hours on the grounds that we now have trespassers walking through our estate when The Six Bells closes. Whilst walking through, the small crowd have targeted No. 1 The Homestead, the nearest bungalow to their exit into Oxford Road, Thame. They have continually rung doorbells, banged on, and peered into, the windows and patio door at approximately 01.45 to 02.00 a.m..

The lady living in No. 1 is 90 years of age, as are her two near neighbours. She has been greatly disturbed by these trespassers and eventually consulted the Thame Police. Shortly afterwards they attended at night (1 car and 3 policewomen) and set up surveillance of the premises, and found the offenders behaving in the manner described, since when we have had no further disturbance, as yet. We fear that if the late hours licence is renewed this disturbance may often recur.

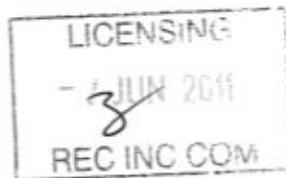
The Homestead has gates which can be locked, but these are no deterrent, as the intruders merely climb over the gates and do some damage. The area where the Homestead is based is an entirely residential area. The Homestead was designated by the planning authority at Oxford District Council for occupants over 65 years of age.

We have no other complaint about the Six Bells Public House which is an excellent establishment, but we would ask you not to extend the opening hours beyond 11p.m.

Yours faithfully,

Cynthia Price.

Representative from the Homestead Residents Association  
to the local Neighbourhood Watch,  
5, The Homestead,  
Thame OX9 2PP



46 High Street  
Thame  
Oxon  
OX9 2AD

4 June 2011

The Licensing Authority  
South Oxfordshire District Council  
Benson Road  
Crowmarsh Gifford  
Wallingford  
Oxon OX10 8NL

Dear Sirs

**Re: Application by the Six Bells public house – High Street, Thame**

I understand that the above public house has applied for an extension to its licensing hours and I wish to register an objection on similar grounds to those I registered in 2005 – that of prevention of public nuisance.

My house is one of the row of terraced properties attached to the Six Bells. Whilst I commend the brewery and the current tenant for the refurbishment that has further improved the character of the establishment, I feel that the proposed extension would be detrimental for the following reasons:-

- Under the existing licence, the patio is closed at 23.00 during the working week and 23.30 at weekends. In the summer months, when it is normal practice to sleep with one's bedroom windows open, the level of noise is currently acceptable, since we all know that it will cease at a reasonable hour. The current tenant is most meticulous about adherence to the closure time, but this may not be true of the next incumbent. Any extension to these hours would be unacceptable on the grounds of the level of nuisance and noise, late at night in a purely residential area. During the week I rise at 04.45 to go to work in London and if the licensing hours were extended to the proposed times, I feel this would be a totally unacceptable intrusion into my life and could compromise my health if I am unable to sleep.
- Even if the patio closing hours remained the same, but the serving and closing times are extended, I consider it would still be an unacceptable nuisance burden for residents surrounding the pub. With the best will, people when they have been drinking are less inhibited and are undeniably noisier. Otherwise, why would the police patrol the High Street in the centre of town on a regular basis at turning-out time?
- The pub is currently open all day – I don't see the justification for extending their hours when they are in the middle of a residential and conservation area. The result of granting this application can only be

greater nuisance caused to its existing neighbours and putting a strain on the pub's relations with the immediate community.

- In warm weather when the windows and doors are open it can be very noisy, and although I know the current tenant – with whom we have very good relations – tries to keep this under control, it is not always possible, especially when she is not present to exert her authority.

I take into account that we all moved into our properties in the knowledge that the pub existed and that there were bound to be associated difficulties from time to time. I do not wish to be "dog in the manger" about people having fun and I frequent the 6 Bells as a customer on a regular basis, however the granting of this application would be a retrograde step, causing friction with and disruption to those living around the pub, when the financial benefit for the brewery must surely be pretty marginal.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Madeleine Tate', written over a circular stamp or mark.

Madeleine Tate  
Owner – No.46 High Street