



The Barnett Observatory
Hastings Close
off Newbold Road
Chesterfield
S41 8RH

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APPENDIX 10

*Open 8 til late every Friday
evening*

15th October, 2016

Re: Brampton Rovers Holdings Ltd - Application for premises licence - Licensing Act 2003

Dear Sirs,

With regard to the above application for a premises licence for Brampton Rovers Holdings Ltd at Newbold Back Lane, Chesterfield S40 4RW I would like to lodge an objection on behalf of the Chesterfield Astronomical Society on the grounds of potential public disorder and the threat this represents to the observatory on Hastings Close and the members of the public who use the facility.

Our concern stems from the length and lateness of the possible licensed activities which will likely see an increase in disorder due to the anticipated alcohol consumption concomitant with such long opening hours. Society members and the general public use the observatory until late at night and both the behaviour of the licensed premises' patrons and the noise associated with the type of events the licence would allow is of great concern to the society.

Further, the folly between the clubhouse and the observatory is already notorious for drug use which has resulted in used needles frequently being discarded at the back of the observatory where visitors (whilst discouraged from doing so) can access. We are concerned that this already worrying situation could become worse if the club obtains its licence.

Whilst we have no objection to sensible opening hours, the breadth of coverage of opening hours and events that this licence would permit lends itself to an increase in the local public disorder occurrences and the reduction in the security of our observatory and safety of our visitors and we would therefore respectfully ask that the application is refused.

Yours faithfully,

Chesterfield Astronomical Society