

Attn. Carla.adkins@ Wiltshire.gov.uk

Ref:- Amesbury Bank Cocktail Bar License Variation. LN 000114244 ( WK 201927323 )

Dear Carla,

Please see my comments regarding the above application for a license variation. I am concerned for the following reasons.

1. The doorway in question was originally designated by WCC as a fire escape only, with a crash bar exit, opening outwards onto the pavement. Why does this need to change?
2. The existing entrance was designated as the **main doorway** for very good reasons. It is adjacent to the New Inn which has a record of being noisy at various times during the year and it also has space for some of the customers of the bank to congregate prior to leaving the premises. These customers are noisy outside, throughout the late evening, which has been raised as a nuisance, on numerous occasions by local residents.
3. If the front doors are now to become an entrance/exit I am sure there will be a number of customers congregating there smoking, depositing their cigarette butts on the surrounding ground and causing a noise. This is directly next to the entrance to Beechwood Court a residential area. **Is this reasonable?** I don't think so.
4. I understand the new doorway will only be used when there is NO music being played in the ground floor venue. In other words, the existing doorway adjacent to the New Inn, is used by the upstairs cocktail bar at the moment, when there is a function on the ground floor. So why are they requesting a change of use, to the emergency exit? They already have a perfectly suitable access.
5. To finalize, I can only say the use of this doorway will only make it more difficult for the local residents to have a quiet nights sleep as exit time is well after midnight.

Kind regards,

Graham Aymes.