Robert Reynolds

2 Meadowcroft Close

Otterbourne

**SO21 2HD** 

Received 29 October 2025

I am a resident of Otterbourne and object to the application for a license at the Bill Harris Pavilion at Oakwood Park in Otterbourne.

The area is residential and there have already been instances of public nuisance in the park and granting a license for drinking until 10.00 or 11.00 pm would just add to that public nuisance.

There is insufficient parking at the pavilion for people, meaning that they will park outside peoples houses and then when they leave at 10.00 or 11.00 there will be lots of noise adding to the public nuisance. The area has a mix of young families and older people, neither want to be woken up by the sound of young people getting into their cars at that time.

The park is locked at 6.00 pm on winter evenings to prevent people using the car park and park area specifically to avoid disorder. Granting an alcohol license will negate that.

In the area there are several public houses and one is only 800 metres from the pavilion. There are two further public houses in Otterbourne that could be used by people who may want to continue consuming alcohol after the football game.

I think there may also be a consideration for people who may drink and drive.

In addition the people using the facility are not local to Otterbourne. Maybe they should use a facility close to where they live.

Sincerely,

R. Reynolds

**Chris Sharp** 

25 Oakwood Avenue

Otterbourne

**SO21 2ED** 

## Received 06 November 2025

I am writing to formally object to the application for the sale of alcohol at the Bill Harris Pavilion, Oakwood Park Recreation Ground, Otterbourne, Winchester, SO21 2ED, under the Licensing Act 2003.

This objection is based on the following objectives:

#### 1. Prevention of Crime and Disorder

Oakwood Park is an open-access public space. Alcohol consumption here could lead to increased antisocial behaviour, especially during late hours.

- The application proposes sales until 11pm on weekends.
- The park lacks physical boundaries, making it difficult to control alcohol consumption beyond the Pavilion.
- There have been previous issues with noise and loitering, which this would exacerbate.

## 2. Public Safety

The Pavilion is adjacent to a children's playground, playing fields, and a MUGA.

- Alcohol consumption in this setting increases the risk of accidents and unsafe interactions.
- The site lacks crowd control infrastructure and clear separation between family areas and licensed premises.

# 3. Prevention of Public Nuisance

The Pavilion is surrounded by residential housing on Oakwood Avenue and nearby roads.

- Noise from gatherings, amplified music, and late-night dispersal could disturb residents – the application would allow for this to occur on every Monday to Thursday until 10pm and then until 11pm on Fridays and Saturdays.
- There is no dispersal policy or litter control plan.

## 4. Protection of Children from Harm

The children's playground is within metres of the Pavilion.

- Children may be exposed to intoxicated individuals, foul language, and unsafe behaviour.
- I am concerned about safeguarding measures or age-verification protocols, especially given the number of teenagers that use the park.

# **Additional Context**

- The Pavilion is used by football clubs and other community groups.
- In 2019, a similar application received nearly 20 objections.
- The park is designated as a family-friendly space by Otterbourne Parish Council.

In conclusion based on the above I therefore urge Winchester City Council to reject this application.

All the best

Chris

**Kate Longbottom** 

25 Oakwood Avenue

Otterbourne

**SO21 2ED** 

Received 09 November 2025

I am lodging an objection to the application for the sale of alcohol at the Bill Harris Pavilion, Oakwood Park Recreation Ground, Otterbourne, Winchester, SO21 2ED, under the Licensing Act 2003.

This objection is based on the following objectives as laid out by planning:

1. Prevention of Crime and Disorder

Oakwood Park is an open-access public space. Alcohol consumption here could lead to increased antisocial behaviour

- The application proposes sales until 11pm on weekends. This is dangerous due to location in a park, openness of space and restriction of access by vehicle to the site should problems arise
- The park lacks physical boundaries, making it difficult to control alcohol consumption beyond the Pavilion. Especially puting residents (mainly young families) at harm
- There have been previous issues with noise and loitering, which this would exacerbate. This will cause problems for local police being called out to deal with such problems

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The Pavilion is surrounded by residential housing on Oakwood Avenue and nearby roads.

 Noise from gatherings, amplified music, and late-night dispersal will disturb residents – the application would allow for this to occur on every Monday to Thursday until 10pm and then until 11pm on Fridays and Saturdays. Most houses nearby have school age children who would be disturbed on school nights should this application be granted • There is no dispersal policy or litter control plan.

## 4. Protection of Children from Harm

The children's playground is within metres of the Pavilion.

- Children may be exposed to intoxicated individuals, foul language, and unsafe behaviour.
- I am concerned about safeguarding measures or age-verification protocols, especially given the number of teenagers that use the park and the profile of visitors that the club attracts

## Additional Context

- In 2019, a similar application received nearly 20 objections. There is
  widespread lack of support for this proposal with residents with the problems
  that the sporting events already bring to the site (parking/litter/ASB)
- The park is designated as a family-friendly space by Otterbourne Parish Council. This is not a Family Friendly proposal
- There are other licensed premises in less than a 4min walk with allocated parking should visitors to the village wish to drink alcohol
- There is insufficient parking at this location cars will be locked in the parish council carpark from early evening - therefore licensing into the evening is pointless
- The added drain on resource for local police to deal with trouble & breaches of licencing should be considered

In conclusion based on the above I therefore urge Winchester City Council to reject this application.

Jackie Algar

9 Greenacres Drive

Otterbourne

**SO21 2HE** 

Received 08 November 2025

We would like to raise our objection to this on the following grounds:

'The prevention of public nuisance':

This is a residential area. The local residents participate in a rota to lock up the car park next to the pavilion, to stop previous anti social behaviour returning (pls see the local village council or police for evidence of this) Allowing alcohol until 10pm everyday night and 1-11pm on Saturdays (they only play a match until 4pm?!) would mean the car park being open way past the current 8pm curfew.

Locking the car park has successfully stopped the antisocial behaviour experienced previously.

For those residents that work - we do not want antisocial behaviour to return because the pavilion is open, serving alcohol resulting in cars leaving, bottles smashing, music, shouting etc thank you. When the car park was not being locked, there were significant anti social behaviour incidents, some actually resulting in property damage etc - Hampshire police will have multiple records of this and I'm sure they could provide the crime references to support this.

'Protection of children from harm'

This is a local play park, hugely popular with families and community groups. The play area has recently been renovated. Drinkers and more vehicles arriving and leaving directly impacts the safety of the park.

Can they not just have a license for game days? Why do you need to drink every night when you only train once a week?

The actual pavilion is tiny so drinking will always spill outside.

I have copied the local village council on this email too.