

**Monmouthshire Licensing Authority  
Licensing Act 2003**

**REPRESENTATION FORM FROM OTHER PERSONS**

**This representation is made by an Other Person**

<b>Your name/organisation name/name of body you represent (see note 3)</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Organisation name/name of body you represent (if appropriate) (see note 3)</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Postal and email address</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Contact telephone number</b>	[REDACTED]

<b>Name of the premises you are making a representation about</b>	<b>Welsh Street Stores – Mr A Patel and Mrs S Patel.</b>
<b>Address of the premises you are making a representation about</b>	<b>21 Welsh Street, Chepstow, NP16 5LL</b>

**Your representation must relate to one of the four Licensing Objectives (see note 4)**

<b>Licensing Objective</b>	<b>Yes or No</b>	<b>Please detail the evidence supporting your representation or the reason for your representation. Please use separate sheets if necessary</b>
<b>To prevent crime and disorder</b>	<b>Y</b>	<p>The only people seeking to purchase alcohol until 3am are people who are already drunk.</p> <p>The quality of alcohol sold at the shop is not high.</p> <p>The outcome is therefore to sell low quality alcohol to drunks until 3am.</p> <p>Being drunk in public and serving alcohol to drunk people are offences (albeit ones scantily enforced).</p> <p>There's no good reason for this to take place, there is already an issue with disorderly drunks in the area at weekends until venue kicking out times, extending this to 3am with no venues to go to is going to worsen the situation. There is literally no good that can come of this – what possible arguments are there in favour of having drunk people continue drinking in public at 3am? How can anything except disorder result from it?</p> <p>I have already had angry words with a drunk man on my doorstep, and had to politely remind a young lady that our doorstep isn't a public convenience. Serving drunks until 3am raises significantly the prospect of disorder and</p>

		violence.
<b>Public safety</b>	Y	Part of the public nuisance in the area is people driving cars late night at high speed around the exact corner the shop is on. Having drunk people wandering around dramatically increases the risk of accident. The pavement is narrow.
<b>To prevent public nuisance</b>	Y	<p>There is already an issue with public nuisance until the small hours at the weekend. Allowing the provision of yet more cheap alcohol until 3am is insanity.</p> <p>The George pub across the road from the premises occasionally houses (in lodgings over the pub) homeless people who have been drunk in public in the area, and subject to police raids. I have almost come to blows with a drunk on my doorstep in a very unkempt state.</p> <p>Combine this with the recent planning permission (see application <b>DM/2024/00549</b>) given to a 'wet' homeless accommodation (to include those with drug and alcohol problems) a 3 minute walk from the premises and you're asking for trouble. It's insanely irresponsible to allow either of these things in our pretty Welsh market town – to allow both would look almost like deliberate destruction.</p>
<b>To protect children from harm</b>	Y	The area is a conservation zone, where single pane sash windows are required. There is little sound insulation. We have two children, ages 3 and 7, who are subject to hearing the drunken, expletive filled, disorder outside our house at weekend evenings. Extending this to 3am is a vile idea.

<b>Please suggest any conditions that could be added to license to remedy your representation or other suggestions you would like the Licensing Sub committee to take into account. **</b>	Simple – do not allow the premises to sell alcohol so late. There's no need to allow the sale past 10pm at the latest. We don't object to the sale of alcohol there – we only object to the hours of sale proposed. It is a very reasonable objection.
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Signed:



Date: 18/11/24

**NOTES**

1. If you do make a representation you will be expected to attend a meeting of the Licensing Authority's Committee and any subsequent appeal proceeding. If you do not attend, the Committee will consider any representations that you have made.
2. This form must be returned within the statutory period of 28 days from the date the application was displayed on the premises of the date given to the public notice in a local newspaper or other local publication.
3. These can only relate to the four licensing objectives.
4. Your representation will be passed to the applicant, to allow them the opportunity of addressing your concerns. Your representations will be published in the report available to the Licensing committee, which will be publicly available. Names will only be withheld from the Committee report at your request.
5. Please return this form when completed to:

Monmouthshire Licensing Section  
County Hall  
Usk  
Monmouthshire  
NP15 1GA

Or:

[Licensing@monmouthshire.gov.uk](mailto:Licensing@monmouthshire.gov.uk)