



**ST. MARGARET'S METHODIST CHURCH**  
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Luton Borough Council  
Licensing Service  
Town Hall  
Luton  
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11<sup>th</sup> June 2012  
Dear Sir or Madam

**Licensing Act 2003 – Application for Variation of Premises Licence**  
**Biscot Mill/The Hungry Horse, 231 Biscot Road, Luton.**

Further to your notice of the above application, on behalf of St. Margaret's Methodist Church I wish to make representations against the granting of such a variation of Premises Licence.

The Grounds for our objection are:

- **Public Nuisance**

The area within which the premises are located is principally a Residential area, which also contains a number of shops and two centres of worship. **Noise Nuisance** would be caused by noise emanating from the premises and the people going to and from the premises at unsociable hours.

**Litter Nuisance**, this is a substantial problem we already suffer from and would be aggravated with numbers of people about in the early hours of Sunday morning, the same day our premises are used for worship.

- **Crime and Disorder**

We have real fears that we would suffer from damage to our premises and the furtherance of disorder in the form of people resorting to using our premises as a 'toilet' facility. The front of our premises is open and vulnerable to such misuse. We also do, from time to time suffer incidences of criminal damage. The Premises are located some distance from the Town Centre and therefore away from concentrated Police resources, which are limited.

- **General**

We do not understand the term 'archaic public entertainment conditions' as the Licensing Act is 2003.

Although in the press, Green King have maintained this variation would only be used on occasions. What legally binding conditions can the Committee place on the Licence to hold them to that? Is not the purpose of occasional extensions to licences to allow the committee to consider event by event the impact on the community?

We respectfully ask the Committee to give full consideration to our concerns and to the impact this Variation will have on our community.

Yours Faithfully

Stephen Jones (Treasurer, St. Margaret's Methodist Church)