Resident Objection 1 – Via Email on 05.07.2017

Ventnor Gardens, and in particular the area around Ventnor Mansions Flats my home for over 50 years, has in recent years experienced daily Anti-Social behavior with gangs of adolescents gathered making lots of noise at all hours and openly using drugs - more recently I have been reliably informed that drug deals are taking place outside my home during the day.

I strongly object to now having a licenced premises from my front door. The area does not need a bar - effectively what it will, or could be, with an alcohol licence.

The problems currently experienced by the residents of Ventnor Gardens will only be exacerbated with the introduction of what will effectively be a bar open till 11 pm - The residents of this area already experience unsafe streets and with no sign of the police present in this area I feel not only will the noise at night become intolerable but the area will feel more unsafe that it currently does.

Several of my neighbors mentioned that all the local residents should be consulted on this matter but as of today the only notification of this application to local residents is a small sign in the Applicants window?

If you grant this application levels of noise will increase and crime will increase and as with any licenced premises public order offences will increase.

Please do not allow my home to be further threatened by the granting of this licence - As a resident I already feel unsafe and under siege without the introduction of potentially a major problem in what is a predominantly residential area.

Resident objection 2 – Via Email on 23.07.2017

I am a resident on ventnor gardens barking, and would like to oppose the application of alcohol being supplied in The Butterfly. I feel it will cause the street more damage then good, there will be more litter on our streets and violence. The street already has young boys that hang around the corner, causing litter and they make people feel scared to walk out of their own street when they are in large groups. The supply of alcohol will cause more of this.
Please take all these points into consideration when making a decision.

Resident Objection 3 – Via Email on 23.07.2017

I object to the license being granted in The Butterfly as it will cause nuisance and demoralise the neighbourhood. The streets are already littered due to young boys and girls hanging around the street everyday. I am a resident of ventnor gardens and have been for 28 years.
Resident objection 4 – Via Email

I am writing in regards to 'The Butterfly' wanting to sell alcohol on their premises. I am a resident at Ventnor Gardens and am against this as I do not want people under influence of alcohol loitering at the end of my road.

I have been a resident for 24 years on this road and do not feel this will bring anything to the area.

Resident Objection 5 – Separate attachment Letter Received 21.07.2017

Responsible Authority Representation – Sent on 19 July 2017 and conditions accepted on 20 July 2017
Licensing Department
Regulatory Service
Pondfield House
100 Wantz Road
Dagenham RM10 8PP

17th July 2017

Dear Sir

Re: Premises Licence Application for The Butterfly, 212 Longbridge Road, 1 Faircross Parade, Barking IG11 8UN

We were very concerned to learn about the above application especially as The Butterfly is a welcome addition to Faircross Parade (which our family and friends have used) — as a café, not a licenced premises. We wish to make the following representations against the granting of a licence.

Our service road exits into Ventnor Gardens, opposite Ventnor Mansions flats, which are adjacent to The Butterfly. There is an unusually wide area of pavement between the flats and the café. For about 10 years we have had trouble as a neighbourhood from groups of youngsters using the area on both sides of the road, at any time of day or night. This has resulted in:

- Drug use / dealing
- Excess noise
- Littering
- Intimidation of older residents

This has been documented by our Safer Neighbourhood Team over the years. Because of the disturbances, security gates were fitted to our service road by the council. Recently the management company responsible for Ventnor Mansions flats has fitted wooden fencing on their surrounding wall to deter local youngsters from sitting on the wall and creating a nuisance.

The Butterfly has tables and chairs outside, and in the small garden to the rear. We feel that to serve alcohol from 11:00 to 23:00 all week will add to the general noisiness of the neighbourhood and may increase the anti-social behaviour listed above. Noise from the garden until late at night will affect residents in the flats in Ventnor Mansions, as well as those above the shops at Faircross Parade.
We are also concerned about the example of casual outside alcohol drinking to the pupils coming out of Barking Abbey Lower School, which is opposite The Butterfly. For anyone wishing to purchase alcohol, there is an off-licence nearby in Upney Lane and The Royal Oak pub just along the road. The Royal Oak has a large, attractive garden which is not overlooked by any residential property.

Finally, there is always a problem parking at the Longbridge Road end of Ventnor Gardens. Our service road exit is frequently blocked with people visiting the shops or the dentist. On a personal level this creates difficulty for us as we have a seriously ill son-in-law, and a grandson at special school, both of whom often need help. We feel that extending hours to The Butterfly may make parking worse for all local residents.

Thank you for considering the above — we would especially emphasise the long standing problems of anti-social behaviour at the top of Ventnor Gardens when you make your decision.

Yours sincerely