

Mr and Mrs J Drennan
8 Saunterne Road
Prestwick KA9 2JQ
5th August 2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

Subject: No Neighbourhood Notification or Communication provided with regards to major alterations and structural additions to the rear of The Red Lion and Eagle Tavern, Prestwick.

We are writing to complain about the following commercial premises:

The Red Lion, 9-11 The Cross, Prestwick, KA9 1AJ

The Eagle Tavern, 3 The Cross, Prestwick, KA9 1AJ

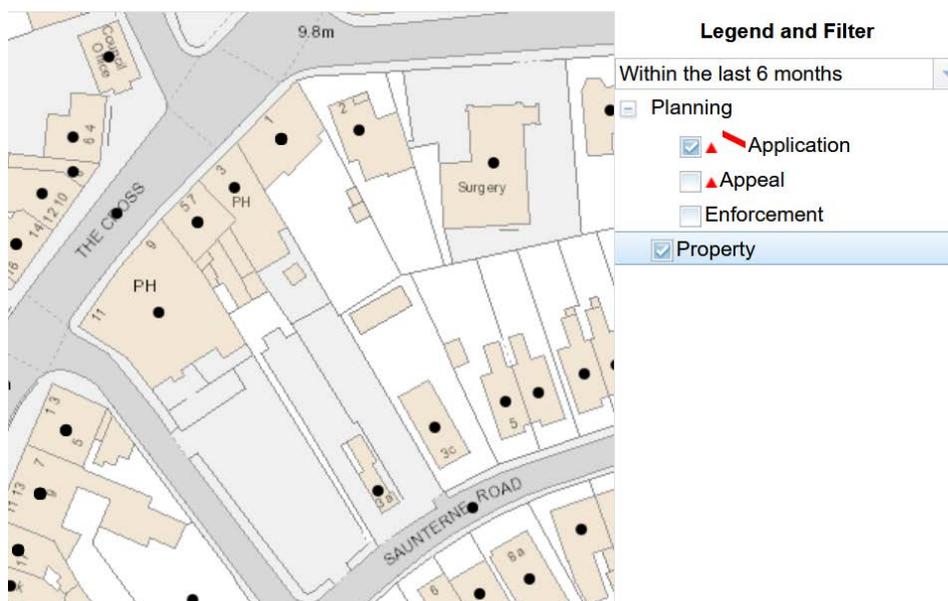
We would like to object to the granting of any further occasional licenses to the Eagle Tavern and the Red Lion, due to the fact that the recent unauthorised developments to both beer gardens at the rear of both premises have provided them with a greater number of outside seating area resulting in a greater increase in noise and public nuisance.

The Red Lion has constructed 4 or 5 small cabin like structures along the length of the car park greatly altering the outlook/vista entering into Saunterne Road affecting nearest neighbours.

The Eagle Tavern has constructed a new decking system which has increased in size further into their car park by a considerable margin, they have also constructed an oppressive pergola system covering the entire area of the decking which also has a lighting system added to it contributing to unnecessary light pollution, this overwhelming structure has now had a major impact in terms of vista and is very depressing to look at from our residence.

We have not received any Neighbourhood Notification for either extensions nor does there appear to be any plans, to this date, available to view or posted on the South Ayrshire Planning portal?

<https://publicaccess.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/online-applications/spatialDisplay.do?action=display&searchType=Application>



Both premises appear to have removed/restricted their public car parking facilities which has resulted in an increase of parking within Saunterne road which directly affects the residents within the street. Double parking on pavements is now a normal occurrence to the extent that Pedestrians are forced to walk on to the road to navigate around the any said vehicle, presenting a direct health and safety risk to any mother and pram, young children and any person with a disability of which there are several on the street. The double parking presents issues whereby wider vehicles just cannot get passed resulting in them having to reverse the wrong way down the one-way street into oncoming traffic. This has also resulted at times where the street is almost impassable with motorists constantly blaring their horns in an attempt to gain the attention of the offending vehicle owner who has long since left, with one motorist already logging complaints with the Police.

There also appears to be an unauthorised change of use with regards to the Red Lion's last third of their car park where it now has signs up notifying that it is now a Domino's Pizza staff car park!! This is a newly cordoned off area of the original car park and is a new entrance/exit onto Saunterne Road. This also presents a health and safety risk as every vehicle exiting from this newly formed opening does so by taking the short cut and driving the short distance down the wrong way against the one-way system to join Crofthead road!!

It is, therefore, our opinion that these occasional licences breach the licensing objective that of:

- Preventing Public Nuisance

Also, in summary and in support of the above as previously mentioned:

- Highway issues – traffic generation, parking and health and safety concerns arising.
- Layout and design greatly affecting visual appearance impacting negatively on the vista/landscape.
- Noise and disturbance have greatly increased due to the increased infrastructure capacity of both premises.
- Light pollution from Eagle Tavern.

In view of the above, we would urge the Licensing Authority to refuse any further application presented by any of the above commercial properties.

Yours Sincerely

(Signed for and on behalf of Mr and Mrs J Drennan)

Mr J Drennan