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Living 15 metres opposite Brew Monster is severely impacting our home life.

Brew Monster obtained planning permission for, what was described by Mr White, as a Micro Brewery and bar, with a 'quality' clientele who wish to consume his produce in the Tap Room. The Yard would house storage for the business (presumably their three industrial bins) and kegs etc. It would be a turning space for vehicles and have a smoking area (which is unfinished and an eyesore).

Mr White is the most inconsiderate of business operators. He employed work to be done on the premises starting at 6.30am, which when I happen to come across him in Cardiff, asked if he felt it was a reasonable time for noisy work to be commencing, first stated that 'it was one day only' as he had a floor to lay, and when I advised him that it wasn't simply 'one day' but had happened for a second consecutive day, that morning, he shrugged.

He is constantly applying for extensions to licensing hours, which when granted, make for longer and noisier evenings / nights and weekends. When the Tap House is open earlier in the week, the general area is quieter, however what was 'sold' to the Council and neighbours as a 'Micro Brewery and Tap Room' has become a noisy hub most weeks from Thursday – Saturday inclusive. Customers noisily congregate outside the premises, so we are unable to enjoy our garden on evenings/weekends as we used to and have to close doors and windows due to the noise.

The events which are run to attract customers range from:

- Televised Sporting Events such as Rugby Internationals
- Music nights
- Quizzes
- Films
- Private Parties
- Additional 'Events' which Brew Monster choose to host with food outlets.

Brew Monster should confine themselves to internal use of their premises as per original planning and licensing applications, not to increase the existing noise that is already inflicted on neighbours from the premises.

Use of 'invited food outlets' translates into two businesses being run from the premises, increasing the problems already associated with Brew Monster. The geographical nature of the Twyn area contains and amplifies noise/music rather than reducing it.

The 'Yard' area, which Brew Monster are proposing to host outside events in, should be used as a 'Storage Yard' as per the original planning application. Parents with young children and pushchairs use the public footpath along Lon-y-Twyn to access the Tywn nursery and school. Brew Monster obstruct the path with three industrial bins permanently stored on it and during opening hours, easel style pop-up signage. Mobility scooter users also struggle to use the footpath. This should be respected as a public right of way, however Brew Monster choose instead to freely clutter it up with their signage and bins. How then do they propose inviting the public into a space which should be used for the purposes which they themselves stated it was for? (One of Brew Monster's Large Industrial Bins was 'walked' by youngsters down the street and around the corner, which given the size and weight, could do substantial damage to cars etc. if they lost control of it or it rolled, given the steep lie of the land. We also had to endure an unsecured keg rolling around in high wind, but as the premises are left at the close of business, any out of hours problems are not attended to. Caerphilly Council already close roads to the public to host events to promote food and drink businesses. Brew Monster should restrict themselves to their premises (keeping within their boundaries), their online presence and stalls at the festivals, both in Caerphilly and further afield, if they so wish. Lon y Twyn is a road which has limited parking popular for people wishing to donate and shop at Ty Hafen, which rely heavily on custom for the funding of vital medical care and support for terminally ill children and their families. Brew Monster isn't the only business that is operating from Lon y Twyn. Neighbours also use the parking themselves and it would be a major inconvenience to many people to have Lon y Twyn closed.

I also object to Brew Monster's customers urinating on resident's garden walls. Lon y Twyn / East View was not an area for any antisocial behaviour prior to Brew Monster opening, however the granting of licences for outside events will only increase the nuisance for the neighbours already emanating from Brew Monster.

Mr White's attitude is 'if we don't like it (Brew Monster), we should move'.

I strongly object to Brew Monster having any license for outside events either in the 'Brew Monster (Storage) Yard' or on Lon y Twyn Road. The Twyn area already has three outside licensed areas with Coffee Vista, Caerphilly Municipal Club and 'Ten Degrees'. Ten Degrees makes considerable noise, both on Market Street and a flimsy canvas marque backed onto East View. Added to which, the Twyn is regularly a venue for Council events, so we really don't need Brew monster increasing the noise and anti-social behaviour, we have quite enough of it already.

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