

Representations Against the Application

Rep 1	Dear Sir/Madam
Local Resident	I live a short walk from the proposed Garage. I have lived here for over 19 years. Whereas we think the proposed development would add much value to the village as a whole and provide us with an opportunity to have access to groceries and fuel during extended hours, we strongly oppose the 24 hour liquor license and opening hours that the applicant Deansbrook Garages has applied for. Although we live in a village which is divided by an at times busy A38, the residents in the village do enjoy a peaceful existence after rush-hour and into the evening and to have this disrupted potentially by round the clock visits by people from outside the village making a beeline for this property late at night or early in the morning with the intention of buying alcohol and hot food and potentially causing a nuisance along the A38 as they are inclined to do through the village already and at times with excessive speed and noisy engines, would be very disruptive to the residents and could lead to a spike in crime. In particular where we live along Damery Lane, it is a well-known haunt for young people driving down past Metal Mill farm and to the Brook, especially on warm spring and summer nights. The ability for them to visit an off-licence will only exacerbate this problem and increase the likelihood of public nuisance and compromise public safety. The amount of noise and light pollution when the residents in Stone are enjoying a peaceful night sleep is extremely worrying. Also, we are convinced that should this property succeed in obtaining a 24 hour liquor license, Stone will become a go to place for various public meet-ups and it just doesn't have the capacity for this, the only extended parking area is a lorry park and this is used by lorries taking their legal break and for overnight stays potentially leading to confrontation. If people are desperate for late night shopping, there are more urban locations like Thornbury and Tesco's for instance which can provide both services, why promote late night noise and disruption and potentially liquor related crime in a sleepy little village like Stone, this doesn't seem to be to anyone's benefit that is living locally and would ideally be supporting this new business in more normal hours of trading.

Rep 2

Local
Resident



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LICENSING ACT 2003 REPRESENTATION FORM

On completion this form and any additional sheets or other accompanying documentation or evidence should be posted to:

The Licensing Section, Stroud District Council, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Westward Road, Stroud, Glos GL5 4UB.

You may email the completed form to licensing@stroud.gov.uk but in order to meet the requirements of the legislation you will also need to provide us with a signed hard copy prior to the hearing.

Notes:

- 1 Any person can make representations (comments) to the Council about applications for new licences, applications to vary a licence or reviews of existing licences. These are in relation to both premises licences and club premises certificates.
- 2 Representations may be positive or negative, but will only be considered 'relevant' by the Council if they relate clearly to the licensing objectives. Stroud District Council will also reject representations considered to be 'frivolous' (not serious or time-wasting) or vexatious for example relate to personal disputes between businesses.
- 3 Relevant representations will be considered in a public meeting by a Hearing panel. Copies of the representations will be circulated to the applicant/licence holder and panel members prior to the hearing.
- 4 For more information see our guidance sheet on making representations or contact the Licensing Section on 01453 754440 or email licensing@stroud.gov.uk

Details of person/organisation/body making representation

Name	
Address	
Telephone number	
Email	

Details of premises you are making representation about

Name of premises/club	Stone Garage
Address	Stone Berkeley Glos GL13 9LA

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Which of the Licensing Objectives does your representation refer to?

Your representation **must** relate to one or more of the four Licensing objectives.

☒	☒
☒ The prevention of crime and disorder	☒ Public safety
☒ The prevention of Public nuisance	☒ The protection of children from harm

What are your concerns?

Please provide full details of your concerns regarding the application/premises. This should include examples of any existing problems and (in the case of a new application or variation) explain how you think you are likely to be affected by the licence if granted. You should include or enclose with the form any evidence you may have in support of your representation.

(Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

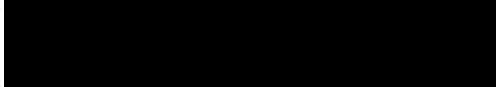
The new convenience store is situated between two residential properties and backs onto working farmland The A38 has no street lighting at this location. The concern is that a 24hour licensed premises located in this quiet rural area will become a magnet for anti-social behaviour and public nuisance as well as a noise and lighting disturbance for residents particularly at night with additional traffic and lighting during that time The adjoining lay by which is used as a designated overnight lorry park and has a license for a burger van is a constant environmental nuisance with fly tipping, overflowing bins, littering and human excrement, Additional detritus from a facility serving hot food and takeaway would exacerbate the existing problems for residents and the appropriate local authorities involved – it is stated in the application that food will not be consumed on the premises so the lay by will be an obvious place for parking and food consumption adding to the rodent problem.

Please use the box below to suggest any suitable conditions that could be added to the licence/certificate that may address your concerns. This could include a restriction in hours or activities or a requirement to take a specific action to manage nuisance for example keeping doors and windows shut when entertainment is taking place.

Restricted opening hours would address many of the concerns regarding night time activity Also restrictions on the types of takeaway foods provided could prevent further problems with littering in the surrounding area

Privacy Notice

If you make an application the Licensing Service will store your personal data and share it with other agencies in accordance with Stroud District Council's privacy policy. Please see the Council's website <https://www.stroud.gov.uk/privacynotice> . Section 1 to 10 is the Council's general privacy notice and section 15 gives details for the Licensing Section

Signature:		Date:	13.09.2026
Capacity:	Resident		

Rep 3 Ham and Stone Parish Council	Ham and Stone Parish Council wish the following comments and observations to be considered in regard to the licence application for a 24 hour off sales alcohol licence and late-night refreshment licence at Stone Garage which is situated on the A38 in Stone, Gloucestershire. There has been much discussion by residents of the Parish in regard to the application. The majority of residents along with the Parish Council are happy to support the application in regard to a refreshment and off sales alcohol licence up until 10 or 11pm. We feel this would be a useful community amenity. We do not support either the late-night refreshment licence or the 24hr off sales alcohol licence. We feel that all night opening is not necessary on this site. Stone is a small and peaceful village on the boundary of South Gloucestershire just a mile from junction 14 of the M5 where the Michaelwood Services already offers these proposed services. There is a large layby adjacent to the site which at nights is already full of parked up lorries. There are no facilities for drivers to use, and therefore they use the ditch next to the site as a toilet and at times there is a real litter problem here. Our local litter pickers now will not pick litter there because of the smell at times. If there were a 24hr convenience store providing refreshments and off sales of alcohol at night this could just exacerbate the public nuisance problem. If a 24-hour licence is given then we think that the garage should provide a toilet for the general use of the public and that the licence should not be given without this commitment. There is a house [REDACTED] attached to the proposed site and lorries at times park directly outside overnight with refrigerated units running all night waking the elderly resident. This is despite yellow lines outside her house. We have concerns that serving hot food and off sales alcohol at night might attract a much higher volume of vehicle movements that will disturb residents in that immediate location. There are also concerns that a 24 hour off sale alcohol licence might cause antisocial behaviour in the area.
Rep 4 Local Resident [REDACTED]	We wish to object to the application for a 24 hour license to sell alcohol at Stone Garage, Stone, Gloucestershire. Previously Stone Garage was staffed by local people serving the local community. It was clean and tidy with vehicles stored in a secured rear compound. This proposal is totally out of keeping and does not blend in a small rural village in the countryside. Customers who have purchased alcohol at any time, cannot consume it on the garage forecourt and the proprietor therefore, has no control over where it (and any food items purchased) are consumed. These types of premises generate antisocial behavior, noise and disturbance, and huge amounts of litter. How will night staff deal with these issues, and will there be Police involvement? There is an adjacent cottage beside the garage and a large layby without

	W.C. facilities or lighting. At the present time with development works ongoing, but with planning permission at Stone Garage refused, parking will be in the layby and the adjoining hedge used as a toilet. Stone Garage is located beside a significant through route (the A38 Bristol - Gloucester road) at a point which is notorious for accidents, and where nearby there is an island restricting traffic flow through the village. Additional vehicles accessing a 24 hour alcohol outlet, will increase the likelihood of further accidents. The area is also already connected to the M5 with Michaelwood Service Station (open 24 hours selling alcohol). The potential customer base will therefore stretch much further than that of a local village facility, and will attract road users from a wider area throughout the night with groups of people gathering. Additionally, alcohol can be obtained at village shops either side of Stone. What measures therefore would be implemented to prevent the foreseeable problems of public nuisance, public safety, road safety and crime and disorder?
Rep 5 Local resident [REDACTED]	We would like to make a number of objections to the license application for Stone Garage, Stone, Berkeley with application reference 26/00936/LAPRNW. We object to the proposal for Stone Garage to be open 24 hours a day seven days a week, due to the extra traffic, noise and litter in the surrounding area. There are residential properties close to Stone Garage which would be impacted. The previous garage only operated from 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, and fewer hours on Saturday mornings. The request for 24 hour opening 7 days a week is a very significant increase in the business hours of these premises. There needs to be specific limits to when the new business can operate. We particularly object to the selling of alcohol and refreshments 24 hours a day, due to the risk of it attracting people from a large area when all other public houses and takeaways are closed. This overnight business activity would also likely result in an increase in anti-social behaviour of customers in the country village of Stone with additional noise, litter, inconsiderate parking and potentially vandalism. There is a lay-by adjacent to Stone Garage and there is a village green with benches just a few hundred yards away on the A38. These are likely to be used by some to gather and consume the goods purchased, which would severely impact the peace and quiet and enjoyment of the adjoining residential properties.
Rep 6 Local Resident [REDACTED]	My name [REDACTED] and I live with [REDACTED] Stone where we have lived since May 2015. This is close to the proposed 24 hour facility for a convenience store and for the sale of alcohol and fuel, at Stone Garage. Whilst the convenience store may be appreciated by the village, the 24 hour nature of the application is a very different matter, which my neighbour [REDACTED] has very eloquently expressed our concerns about the proposal as it stands, especially in relation to the 24 hour facility and consequent public nuisance and potential crime and disorder A closure

	period from say 10pm every evening until 7am the following morning casts a different light on the impact on the public nuisance.
Rep 7	Good afternoon
Local Resident	I live in Stone, a short distance away from Stone Garage.
	I would like to strongly object to the application submitted for the round-the-clock alcohol licence by Deansbrook Garages Limited.
	Whereas a village shop and petrol station is useful in Stone, we are very lucky to have similar long standing businesses close by in Falfield, Berkeley Heath and recently opened convenience store in Newport.
	I fear the lay-by will become a meeting place for people after purchasing alcohol at the garage were the licence to be granted. This will increase noise levels during the night and in turn, become a public nuisance. I'm extremely worried our small community will have to potentially deal with crimes and disorder committed due to late night alcohol consumption in the village.

Representations In Support of the Application

Support A	I am writing in regards to the new premises licence application for a convenience store on a garage forecourt at Stone Garage, Stone, Berkeley, Gloucestershire, GL13 9LA.
Local Resident	As a local resident to the garage in Stone with a young family myself and my husband would like to register that we are in favour of this application. Having a 24 hour shop within walking distance would be a massive benefit to our young family and in fact be a huge help as currently we have to drive if we require anything from the shop. Having young children being able to pop round locally would be a huge benefit to ourselves.

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