

**Objection #1**

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my strong objection to the application submitted by Brazil Tropical LTD for 56A-58 Chertsey Road for the sale of alcohol (on and off license) Monday to Thursday from 10:00 until 22:00, and Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 11:00 until 22:30.

Despite numerous concerns from statutory bodies, including Environmental Health, Woking CCTV, Woking Community Safety, and Woking Planning Enforcement, as well as multiple objections from the public, Brazil Tropical LTD was granted a license for 56 Chertsey Road in December 2023.

I am baffled as to why the license was granted in the first place in light of the Cumulative Impact Zone / Saturation Policy and the number of objections and concerns not only from the public but also from the statutory bodies. Nevertheless, the current license was granted with the following conditions imposed by the Licensing Committee:

- The business will play background music only at a volume which does not cause disturbance outside the premises. There will be no DJ's, Live Music, Recorded Music or Karaoke held on this premises at any time.
- Alcohol sold or supplied to persons for consumption on the premises will be served with a substantial table meal and only whilst customer is seated.
- There shall be no vertical drinking.
- Tables and Chairs outside will be removed before or by 22:00 at the latest and no drinking will take place outside after this time.
- Sale of alcohol will cease at 22:30 and there will be no public on site after 23:00
- There will be no off sales from this premises.
- The roof terrace area to the rear of the premises will not be used by customers or staff or as a smoking area in order to minimise disturbance to the local residents.
- Windows to be kept closed after 22:00 every day. Doors to also be kept closed after 22:00 every day (except for ingress and egress)

Since 2022 the venue has demonstrated a total lack of consideration for the local community and residents. Renovation works have been undertaken at all hours of the day, including bank holidays and weekends. Loud live music has been played, vertical drinking observed, and serious safety hazards created, such as holding an open fire in front of the venue.

On many occasions, the venue has hosted groups of moped drivers with their vehicles illegally parked on the pavement in front of the venue (see photo 1). The venue's van often blocks both the front and the back pavement, forcing pedestrians onto the carriageway (see photos 2, 3, 4 and 5).

The back terrace of the venue, which fronts our windows, is treated as a storage dump by the venue, with old sofas, barrels, vacuum cleaners, and other items scattered around (see photos 6 and 7).

The most concerning events are the weekly barbecue parties with live music, despite the current license not permitting live music (see photo 7 - a screenshot from the venue Google profile dated March 2024 and Video 1 attached), When I reported this to the police, they informed me that they would not enforce the license. Therefore, there is no efficient way to enforce the license, especially on weekends and in the evenings, leaving us to trust that the venue licenced will be reasonable and considerate towards the local community. Unfortunately, Brazil Tropical has proven on many occasions that they are neither reasonable nor considerate.

In preparation for one of these large parties, on a Sunday morning, the venue set out multiple barrels in front of the venue next to a tree and used them as grills (refer to Video 2 attached). When I approached the venue to inform them that this was illegal and unsafe, I discovered that the barrels, with open flames inside them, were left unsupervised. The person at the venue claimed not to understand English.

This incident ended with an intervention from the fire brigade, who put out the fires and presumably instructed the venue to stop this practice.

All these issues impact all local residents including, including children, young and vulnerable people.

I would also like to remind you that 56 Chertsey Road currently falls within Class Use E, which was formerly Class Use A1 (retail/shops). Class Use E does not cover bars, which the venue clearly operates as. This is also further evidenced by the planned 'cafe / bar area' shown on the application drawings and the bar seating provided. Additionally, the first floor of 56A and 58 Chertsey Road, to the best of my knowledge, has Class Use B1 (office). Further evidence of the venue disregarding planning regulations and licensing restrictions is their operation within the units covered by this application (56A-58 Chertsey Road) since at least April 2024, as demonstrated by a screenshot from the venue's Google profile dated April 2024 (attached). This should be considered a breach of both the license and planning regulations.

Based on the above, I strongly believe that the license for Brazil Tropical LTD should not have been granted and request a review of the entire license. At a minimum, I implore the Licensing Authority not to extend the license beyond its current scope and conditions, as this would result in even larger and more frequent events, causing further nuisance to local residents.

Kind regards,



From Google music in March 2024  
premises open

Photo from google showing new





Screenshot of video taken BBQ

## **Objection #2**

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to formally object to the application for an alcohol license submitted by Brazil Tropical LTD for the premises located at 56A-58 Chertsey Road.

I have several concerns regarding the potential impacts that granting this license could have on our community.

The proposed establishment is situated in a very close proximity to the residential buildings. One of them is Enterprise Place. Granting an alcohol license is likely to lead to increased noise levels, particularly during late-night hours. This disruption could significantly affect the quality of life for residents, especially families with young children and elderly individuals.

Additionally, studies have shown a correlation between the availability of alcohol and an increase in crime and anti-social behavior. The presence of another licensed establishment in our neighborhood could lead to more incidents of vandalism, public intoxication, and other disturbances. This poses a significant risk to the safety and security of residents.

Another major concern is the impact on our youth. The proposed location is in close proximity to Maybury Primary School & Nursery. The availability of alcohol in such close vicinity to these facilities is concerning as it may negatively influence the youth in our community. Ensuring a safe environment for our children should be a top priority.

There is significant opposition from the community regarding this application. Many residents have expressed their concerns and objections, which underscores the collective sentiment against the issuance of this license.

Since, this establishment was granted to open its business, I have already noticed anti-social behaviour such as carrying out building works outside of permissible hours (especially late at night), carry out various car repairs (literally on the pavement), using the pavement as a car park (just yesterday I had to move and walk on the road as the whole pavement was taken over by cars) which is super dangerous (or for wheelchairs users).

In light of these concerns, I urge the licensing authority to carefully consider the potential negative impacts on our community and deny the alcohol license application for Brazil Tropical LTD. I believe that preserving the safety, peace, and well-being of our neighborhood should take precedence.

### **Objection #3**

Good afternoon,

I am writing to express my strong objection to the alcohol licensing application submitted by Brazil Tropical LTD for 56A-58 Chertsey Road. The venue is located within the Woking Town Centre Saturation Policy, also known as the Cumulative Impact Zone Area, which reads "Within the zone, there will be a presumption that all applications for new premises licences, new club premises certificates or variations to existing licences of these type (that are likely to add to the cumulative impact zone) will be refused, following a relevant representation".

I believe that granting this license would have detrimental effects on our community and the following concerns must be taken into account:

1. Concerns about Crime and Disorder: The introduction of another alcohol-serving establishment in an area that is already experiencing a saturation of licensed premises raises concerns about increased crime and disorder. It is imperative to consider the potential impact on the safety of residents and visitors in the vicinity.
2. Concerns about Public Safety: Granting this license could potentially compromise public safety. The congregation of patrons and the consumption of alcohol in a congested area, particularly in the evenings, may lead to incidents that pose risks to individuals' safety and well-being.
3. Concerns about Public Nuisance: The additional alcohol-serving venue could

exacerbate public nuisance issues in the area, including noise disturbances, vandalism, and antisocial behavior. This could lead to a decreased quality of life for residents and the local community.

4. Concerns about the Protection of Children from Harm: There are concerns about the proximity of the Venue to residential buildings with more than 300 residents where children are present. An increase in alcohol-related incidents and antisocial behavior could potentially expose children to harm, both physically and psychologically.

5. Challenges Faced by Local Authorities: It is essential to acknowledge that the local council and law enforcement agencies are already struggling to address current problems related to crime and disorder, public safety, and public nuisance. Given the limited resources available, the introduction of another alcohol-serving establishment is likely to overburden these agencies and impede their ability to respond effectively.

6. Financial Strain on Local Authorities: Additionally, with the local council facing financial challenges and the police being understaffed, there are concerns that granting this license would place further strain on already limited resources. This, in turn, may hinder the efficient management of the issues related to the excessive availability of alcohol in the area.

In light of these concerns and the potential adverse impact on the community, I strongly urge the Licensing Authority to reject the application for an alcohol license for Brazil Tropical LTD. The current situation in the Woking Town Centre Saturation Policy area requires a cautious and measured approach to licensing to protect the well-being and safety of residents and visitors.

I trust that you will consider these objections carefully in your decision-making process. Your responsibility to ensure the welfare and safety of our community is of utmost importance, and I have full confidence that you will make a decision that reflects the best interests of our neighborhood.

#### **Objection #4**

I am writing to formally object to the current alcohol license application submitted by Brazil Tropical located at 56A-58 Chertsey Road in Woking. The new application seeks permissions that could lead to significant negative impacts on our community.

#### **Key Concerns:**

##### **Increased Noise and Disruption:**

The new application does not respect the compromise reached in December 2023. Due to these new rules the venue is likely to attract larger crowds and result in

increased noise levels, particularly late at night. This would disrupt the peace and tranquility of our neighborhood, affecting the quality of life for all residents.

Potential for Antisocial Behavior:

Allowing the venue to host music events could attract a different crowd, raising the risk of antisocial behavior. Such behavior could include vandalism, public drunkenness, and disturbances, which would compromise the safety and comfort of our streets.

Impact on Families and Residents:

Our area is home to many families with young children, as well as elderly residents. The proposed changes could undermine the sense of community and safety that we currently enjoy, making it a less desirable place to live.

Traffic and Parking Issues:

An increase in visitors to the venue would likely lead to more traffic congestion and parking difficulties. This would inconvenience residents and pose additional safety risks, particularly for pedestrians and children.

Previous Compromise Ignored:

The agreement reached in December 2023 was a reasonable compromise that allowed the venue to sell alcohol under the condition that it operated solely as a restaurant/cafe. The new application disregards this compromise, showing a lack of respect for our community's concerns and the previous agreement.

Willingness to Withdraw Objection

I would like to emphasize that we are not opposed to the venue operating within the constraints of the compromise agreed upon in December 2023. Our primary concern is the potential negative impact of the expanded permissions being sought. If the venue agrees to adhere to the conditions set out in the December 2023 compromise, we are willing to withdraw this objection.