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From:
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Subject: The Octagon

Dear Licensing Team,

We wish to object to the recent application for a licence to be granted to enable the Octagon building in the Cattle Market, St.Ives to be turned into a bar/cafe.

We live on The Quadrant which is just around the corner from the proposed new venue and our six-year old son, who sleeps at the back of the house, which faces the direction of the Cattle Market, is already kept awake on a regular basis by the noise from boy racers as they do high-speed laps of the town centre at unsociable hours. Any more disruption to his sleep can only be bad for his health and his concentration at school, with a knock-on effect to the rest of the family. Children need a good night's sleep to ensure healthy development. We are ourselves quite often woken up late at night or in the early hours at weekends by drunken people shouting and arguing in the street at the front, often outside our house. Another licensed venue open all day and into the early hours will only add to this.

ST.Ives does not need another late-night town-centre venue, and nearby residents deserve some respect and consideration when making planning decisions.

The building itself is of importance to the history of the cattle market and should be saved and used. A Tourist Information centre would be a far more appropriate use than a bar/cafe. Something to attract visitors and therefore income to the town, rather than something that will cost the council more in extra cleaning and repairs from drunken vandalism.

Yours sincerely

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