

**CHURCH FARMHOUSE  
THE STREET  
EAST BRABOURNE  
KENT  
TN25 SLR**

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LICENCE APPLICATION, CATHERINE HESTER FENWICK, TN25 SLR

Dear Mr Postlethwaite

I understand you are the officer handling the premises licence application of Mrs Catharine Hester Fenwick, of Court Lodge, The Street, Brabourne, Kent, TN25 SLR.

I would like to make a representation why this licence application should be reduced from 08:00-23:00 Monday to Sunday to a more acceptable time frame:

09:00-22:00, Monday to Saturday

12.30-21.00 Sunday

I am the most immediate neighbour with our drive situated virtually opposite Court Lodge.

We are also situated adjacent to St Mary's Church Brabourne, which (I sit on the Church's management committee) is in a Conservation area and for which there is limited parking as the entrance is situated on a sharp right-angled bend to the side of our house.

Sunday morning whilst services are on are often congested and the potential sale of alcohol from my next door neighbour at this time would only exacerbate the parking problems outside our house. Also regardless of the schedule of services this is where most people will park outside our house (and Court Lodge) whilst also visiting the graveyard.

I think the hours requested by the applicant should be reduced due to the very small nature of her business, and the public safety needs of the local community in visiting St Mary's Brabourne in a safe manner.

The applicant does during the season already sell eggs outside her barn, and this results in people parking on and rutting the verges and not using the drive as the applicant might have suggested in her application. Most couriers (delivering to either us, Court Lodge or Church Barn behind us) also park in the same manner and will not drive in to her relatively 'tight' drive. Even the Fenwick's gardener never parks in the yard, always on a verge out on the road.

Also as I am sure you know Jessel Farms have permission for a larger building also involved in producing and selling wine adjacent to Court Lodge. Between the two of them, and the oversized farm traffic of PHR FARMS LTD (CO NO: 07273402) now using The Street to service Parsonage Farm Sunday morning traffic will be problematic if all three activities were to coincide together. As it is when cars are parked outside our house, farm vehicles and trailers struggle to pass.

Therefore I feel the application should be amended to reflect the small size of the business and the public safety needs of those visiting St Mary's Brabourne.

Yours sincerely



Alastair Gibson MRICS