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Via: tschwartz@bsv.com.au

Attention: Mr. Tony Schwartz

20 December 2010

Dear Mr. Schwartz

RE: Application for the Grant of a Packaged Liquor Licence at shops 2 and 3, 20-24 Walker Street, Helensburgh – BWS – Beer Wine Spirits

I have been supplied a copy of your letter dated 18 November 2010 by community members which “invites positive feedback concerning the proposal in providing a balanced assessment of the likely impact of the Application”.

As a resident of Helensburgh myself and from discussions with the community, local business and NGO agencies, plus having attended a Neighbourhood Forum where the initial proposal was discussed, I detect the community view **OVERWHELMINGLY** does not support the proposed BWS application.

Surely a 30 day window for submissions to a 100 metre radius cannot truly reflect a community position, especially as your letter implies it only seeks “positive feedback”.

I request your co-operation by:

- (1) Attending the next scheduled Neighbourhood Forum meeting, currently 9 February 2011 at 7pm,
- (2) Attend a community/public meeting called to discuss the proposal on 13 February 2011 at 3pm, and
- (3) Extend the closing date for submissions to 28 February 2011 to ensure a balanced, transparent, informed and inclusive process to ensure sufficient time to reflect a balance of submissions.

I look forward to your positive responses to these three important questions, especially how, as you suggest, “the overall social impact arising from the grant of the Application will not be detrimental to the well being of the local or broader community” when local modelling and experience tells me differently.

Yours sincerely

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