

**FAO - Licensing Department at Brent Council**



**Petition Attached - Objection of license application at 490-492 Neasden Lane**

We, the local residents of the area surrounding Neasden Lane, strenuously object to another off license opening at 490-492 Neasden Lane. The granting of another off licence to the area does nothing to enrich the area, but in fact drags it down further.

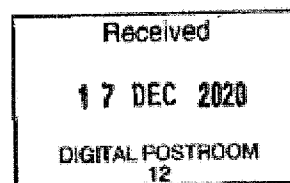
The rate of crimes in the area are on the rise, the rate of alcohol related crimes are increasing even faster. Street drinkers are always present and continually litter around the area. There are always empty cans, bottles and vomit on the streets.

These people not only drink heavily, they cause massive noise pollution by shouting and fighting, particularly at night time, another late night off license is the last thing the area needs. The street drinkers often harass the local public and police call outs are not uncommon.

We, the residents, do not feel safe in our residential area and are particularly concerned about the safety of our children. There are 3 schools in the area, meaning a large amount of children are exposed to frequent scenes of public drinking and smoking, it's not a good example for their futures nor is it safe in the present. We have often seen children try to buy cigarettes and alcohol from the local shopkeepers, and when confronted and asked for identification they tend to scream, shout and swear. Adding another off license further increases the chances of underage children being able to acquire cigarettes or alcohol. Some shopkeepers may not be as stringent as others or may prioritise money over the safety and future wellbeing of the children in the area.

Adding another such business to the area will not only further encourage this behaviour, but will also attract street drinkers from nearby areas to our area. The business will do nothing to benefit the area, it will not create any significant amount of jobs for local residents nor will it be open later or provide any further convenience to the local residents.

In conclusion, the signatures attached below are representative of the local residents' objection to another off license coming to the area, due to the numerous reasons stated above. It's an area struggling with crime, street drinking, police call outs, noise pollution, litter and issues regarding childrens' safety.



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KRISHNA NOMU

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we have 6 OFFICE  
WITHIN 1 & 1/2 MILE

① WYCAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

HBOYNE RD NEWLY

② St CATHERINE SCHOOL

CAMBRIDGE CLOSE

③ POPLAR SCHOOL Black Bird Hill

NEWLY

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