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To: Business Licence <business.licence@brent.gov.uk>

Subject: Off license appeal

My name is [REDACTED] and I live at [REDACTED], a short walk from 490-492 Neasden Lane North.

I have been alerted to the fact that the address above has applied for an off license again. I have written to you previously to oppose these plans, I'm unaware of the outcome of the previous appeal but having seen the sign on the street recently, I thought it best to be in touch again.

I oppose the granting of this license for many reasons, these are listed below.

1 - There is already many stores within walking distance that sell alcohol until late at night. We do not need another.

2 - There is a lot of people hanging around at night. They leave rubbish everywhere and shout rude things at people. My late mother would complain a lot about people shouting rude things at her because she was walking slowly, she also said she sees these people throwing rubbish all over the place.

I get back from work late at 10.30pm, and when I get off the bus there is always drunk people there. I myself sometimes get off the bus and go to buy beer and food from the shop that is always open, costcutter. If there is already two shops open here why do we need another one?

3 - when I get back from work I often see police around the area. They are always dealing with people pissing in places and causing fights. It is really a waste of their time and my tax money.

4 - adding an off license doesn't help the area. It will make it worse. More people will come here because they know they can get a drink at a late time. Also if many shops are selling the same items then sooner or later they will all have to start selling cheaper, this is good for customers who want to buy beer but it's bad for everyone else.

5 - it is not very fair if a new shop opens and ruins the business of the shops already here. There is two very good shops and a Eastern European shop. Why do we need one more?

6 - My sisters kids don't like to come and visit because they don't like to play or be around the area. They call the drinkers 'the smelly men'. Kids are very honest. I worry about having kids because they will not be very safe in this area. The park area opposite McDonald's is not nice for kids because there is always people drinking from beer cans and bottles which are in black plastic bags. It is not safe.

There are more reasons which you can probably see but I think my reasons are enough for the council to say no to these ridiculous plans.

Thank you