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Objection to Grant of New Gambling Licence I wish to formally object to the granting of a gambling licence for the proposed establishment on the basis that it may undermine the core licensing objectives set out in the Gambling Act.

1. Preventing Gambling from Being a Source of Crime or Disorder The introduction of an additional gambling venue in this area raises concerns about increased opportunities for crime and anti-social behaviour. Without clear evidence of robust safeguards, there is a risk that the premises could contribute to local disorder and associated criminal activity.
2. Ensuring Gambling is Conducted in a Fair and Open Way There is insufficient reassurance that the operator will maintain the highest standards of transparency and fairness. Strong oversight and accountability measures must be demonstrated to ensure customers are treated fairly and are not subject to misleading or exploitative practices.
3. Protecting Children and Vulnerable Persons The proposed location and nature of the establishment give rise to concerns regarding the protection of children and vulnerable individuals. Increased access to gambling facilities can heighten the risk of harm, particularly for those susceptible to addiction or financial hardship, and it is not clear that adequate preventative measures will be in place.

Conclusion For the reasons outlined above, I respectfully request that the application be refused unless and until it can be clearly demonstrated that all licensing objectives will be fully upheld.