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Below are reasons why I object Proximity to Sensitive Sites: The site's closeness to schools, parks, or youth centers poses a risk to children and vulnerable adults. Over-Concentration (Clustering): An excess of gambling venues in one area harms the "retail mix" and prevents a diverse, healthy high street. Public Safety and Anti-Social Behavior: Increased risk of noise, loitering, and late-night disturbances that affect the quality of life for residents. Impact on Local Character: Replacing a traditional retail unit with a gambling venue can make the area feel less family-friendly and welcoming. Economic Impact: Gambling shops often have "dead" window frontages (tinted glass) which reduces footfall and discourages people from visiting neighboring shops.