Mr. I. Bullock

Dear sir/madam

I am writing to object to the application for a alcohol license at the Happy Shopper 168-170 Ashfield rd. The above premises is in an area already saturated with off license premises, indeed there is a retail outlet selling alcohol next door but one to the premises which is well managed. In the past there has been numerous incidents at these premises (168-170 Ashfield rd) where the owner has had to call the police, surely the sale of alcohol would only fuel more of these incidents. The premises are in an area populated by hundreds of young people from nearby schools and colleges who use the shop regularly and there is a bus stop directly adjacent to the premises used by them. Surely the sale of alcohol would encourage these young people to try and purchase alcohol by their own means or by proxy. In the past there has been a problem with gangs of youths hanging around at the bus stop directly outside the premises causing a public nuisance and there have been incidents where youths have tried to intimidate older people to the point where some people would not stop at the lay bye for fear of their safety, would this behaviour not be encouraged by yet another retail alcohol outlet would not help to stem this.

Regards Ian Bullock

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