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Sent: Monday, August 14, 2023 2:35 AM
To: Regen, Licensing <Licensing.Regen@southwark.gov.uk>
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Objection to application no. 880730

To whom it may concern,

Please receive this email as a formal objection to the application number 880730 based on the following reasons:

1. Prevention of Crime & Disorder: I live on Borough High Street (BHS) and I already have issues with drunk and disorderly behaviour from the public. They often ring my doorbell into the early hours of the morning, disturbing the household's peace, the volume of drunk patrons leaving Guiseppe's, The Kings Head, The George etc. is high and even from 4 floors above the street they disturb us. An additional shop selling alcohol in the early morning and late and night would only increase the issues faced by my household and other residents & businesses on BHS. The drunk people also regularly break the glass windows of shops along the street, e.g. Wasabi and I strongly believe that this will only make this issue worse. Antisocial behaviour is already a huge problem on BHS and this would exacerbate the problem. I have already had one person stabbed outside my front door leaving blood all over the door and the pavement and this would increase the likelihood of further damage and injury.

2. Prevention of Public Nuisance: more drunk people would increase the nuisance, and when patrons leave a drinking establishment drunk and then are able to buy more alcohol, noise, ASB and other issues such as litter, waste, vomit, etc. will all be exacerbated. We already have 2 x 24h off licenses, a Tesco and a Sainsbury's within approx. 50m of each other, and there is no reason for another off license selling the same products as the Londis and other off licence, alongside the drinking establishments also on BHS.

3. Public Safety: The safety of both local residents, employees of the surrounding businesses and anyone else on BHS will be put at higher risk of injury due to the fact that a high number of drunken people exiting drinking establishments would then be able to continue drinking on the street would increase the risk to public safety.

4. Protection of Children from Harm: An additional off license would increase the risk to children. Not only is it commonly known that children are already involved in knife crime and this will likely be an additional factor in the knife crime issue amongst the youth, but also it provides another place for children to be exposed to alcohol and tobacco products. These are drugs, and although they are legal, the exposure to these substances can be damaging. In addition, another off licence would provide children with potential further access to these substances. Even if they cannot access these substances, it is inevitable that an additional off licence would increase their exposure to substances. Regardless, children will also be exposed to drunken adults to a higher degree and this also has the potential the cause harm to children.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch for any queries or further information about my objection.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

M: [REDACTED]
E: [REDACTED]
A: [REDACTED] Borough High Street, SE1 [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2023 5:46 PM
To: Regen, Licensing <Licensing.Regen@southwark.gov.uk>
Subject: Objection to Planning application 880730

Dear whom it may concern,

I wrote to you in objection for the above application number 880730.

The following reasons are the reason I object to it:

1. Prevention of crime and disorder. Borough High Street already has crime happening, phones stolen and mis-behaviour from alcohol induced acts. There are too many pubs on the street. Furthermore there is Borough Food and Wine at 107 Borough High Street. Furthermore there is also Londis further down. There is also a Sainsburys and Tesco selling alcohol. This will mean more opportunities for crime to happen. There is no reason alcohol needs to be sold from 6.00am in the morning.
2. Prevention of public nuisance: There is a lot of rubbish littering and the shop is just outside the bus stop which will cause too many people to congregate around the area not allowing people to queue for the bus and people to pass through. Also to allow people to buy alcohol till late at 12.00am will mean people will go there to buy alcohol and drink before they head into the pubs and just loiter around the area
3. Protection of children from harm - children do not need to be exposed to another form of alcohol available and cigarettes as there are more opportunities for them to go in a purchase.

Furthermore there does not need to another place to sell Lottery products as there is already Borough Food and Wine, as well as Tesco selling the same products.

In addition the above in order to protect the high street there needs to be more opportunities for other businesses to operate. There is no need for another High Street newsagent store selling alcohol, cigarettes and vape products. This will turn Borough High Street into another Oxford Street.

I also have a business at [REDACTED] Borough High Street, and opening another one of these shops is not something that is needed. My father has had a business on Borough High Street for 21 years and this will just cause more problems. This will also cause issues for the other businesses that are operating in the area and with the economic climate we are in the council should look to diversify the businesses that are there.

I have also had many customers opposing the application and will be starting a petition and will be emailing that to the council in due course as the signatures are collected.

My name is [REDACTED] and my contact number is [REDACTED] if you need to contact me to ask any more questions

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to do so.

Kind regards.

[REDACTED]